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Winter Members' Show Par Excellence

Marion Art Center

By Marilou Newell

The jewel in the crown for the seaside community of Marion is the Marion Art Center. Over the years the center has striven to provide the region with a place to study art in all its forms and, for visual artists, a place to show their works of art. But at no time in recent history has the center been more vibrant, more expressive, more excellent than it is at this moment as evidenced in the 2022 Winter Members' Show.

On January 14, the show's opening reception was held virtually. With the on-site assistance of Heather Corrigan, visitors were able to "see" the show entries and learn a bit about the processes used to create stunning works of art. On January 15 during regular gallery hours, we were able to get up close to the works and really experience the pieces in their natural setting – a gallery.

Upon entering the first-floor gallery, one is immediately drawn into a world of perfect artistic expression. There is a bronze sculpture, a little snowman not unlike those made in front yards by very small children. It stands proudly in the far right corner with an expression that speaks its own language.

There is a table titled Shark Table, made of aluminum and steel, painted a vivid blue and positioned as if ready for a summer picnic. There are small offerings that demonstrate the artists' ability to bring us outside ourselves and into the world they see.

But let's pause here for a moment to consider this: The abundance of visual creative expression this show offers is likely one of the most varied the center has shown thus far.

There are the expected vibrant pastels and gentle watercolors executed by skilled hands to perfection. There is that playful bronze sculpture, along with photography, giclee, wood carving, a wood-fired ceramic bowl, stained glass, acrylic on silver leaf, acrylic on gold leaf, quilted fiber collages, oil on panel, oil on linen, charcoals, and ink-jet printing. Each and every one of these pieces holds a universe onto itself now shared for all to enjoy.

On the second floor, the framed pieces are tightly arranged to maximize the available space and to give the artists' works a place of their own. That is no small task when hanging an art show featuring some 80 works. There are also works on display in the front windows of the Marion General Store.

This floor of delight is like a small shire to human artistic achievement. Here we find large a canvas with a city skyline, a curious cow, a rower in the mist, crashing waves, a boy in summer mode and complex, heavily textured portraits. Amazing, thrilling, and so very much needed.

We can thank the Marion Art Center for doing what they do so well, refreshing the art thirst of our wanting souls. But I think we should really thank the artists for sharing their gifts and letting us, if just for a moment, enter their imaginations.

The artists are: Jen Alexander, Carol Bliven, Ashley Briggs, Sarah Calder, Peggy Call-Conley, Robert

On the Cover: *"Curiosity" by painter Jane Egan is a petite framed oil on canvas. It is joy in the form of a playful cow close-up. The technique of layering oils to create a realistic tactile surface gives the curious bovine a more realistic appearance. This engaging piece and many more are featured in the Marion Art Center's 2022 Winter Members Show on exhibit through February 11. Photo by Marilou Newell*

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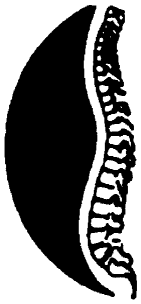

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The MAC's Winter Members Show is now through February 11 with gallery hours Thursday through Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm or by appointment at 508-758-1266.

Tabor Hosts MLK Day Climate Discussion

By Marilou Newell

On January 17, Tabor Academy celebrated the themes of diversity and inclusion with daylong virtual programming that featured various aspects of climate change either directly or obliquely.

Speakers included Marion's own Dr. Jennifer Francis as well as graphic designer and illustrator Michael LaRiccia, hip hop poet and musician Tem Blessed, and keynote speaker Dr. Ayana Elizabeth Johnson, marine biologist, policy expert and bestselling author. The program was hosted by Loraine Snead, director of Equity and Inclusion.

The Wanderer sat in during Johnson's hour-long interview-style discussion with Tabor students Layla Silva and Javar Williams, along with Tabor faculty members Joseph Cassaista, director of Marine Science, and Tamar Cunha, Science Department chair.

Johnson began her comments saying that her educational path had been broad in scope, not specifically heading her into a career as a marine scientist. Upon reflection, Johnson said that she is glad her education has in fact been broad-based. "It exposed me to a wide variety of subject matter." She said that during her high school

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years in Brooklyn, New York, she had never considered that it was on the coast. "I just thought of it as a concrete jungle."

On the subject of climate change and racially driven inequity, Johnson said, "Think about the carbon footprint of poor people and people of color, it is small." She told of her father's life in Jamaica and the loss of fishing opportunities due to over-harvesting. He also talked to her about the negative impact on the Jamaican ecosystems from tourism. These stories would echo through Johnson's formative years, leaving life-long impressions that would eventually help her crystalize what path she needed to take.

As the childhood years went by, years when Johnson would think, "maybe I'll be a lawyer or maybe I'll be a park ranger or maybe I'll be a scientist," she didn't receive any special education in marine studies. Today she said she is really all those things she dreamed about. She marveled at the abundance of opportunity that Tabor Academy offers in this area of study and yet she also believes English is equally as important.

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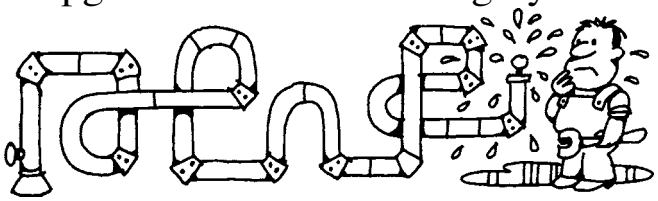
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When asked about Dr. Martin Luther King's position regarding the environment, Johnson responded, "He connected poor people with black rights. There are overlapping concerns. I often think about poor communities and communities of color along the coast … we need to train the next generation, the children from those communities. We need so much diversity; it's valuable because it does matter who is making the decisions … throw open the doors to all youth.

"Ocean conservation is a puzzle with many parts. … It's scary and exciting to think about harvesting all our ideas."

And to do that, Johnson knows it will require a diverse and inclusive group. "They can all be part of the solution – it is possible, students will shape the future."

One exciting project Johnson mentioned is an initiative for ocean farming. She said that when the framers of the Green New Deal were drafting that document, the ocean was almost completely left out. That inspired Johnson and others to write the Blue New Deal to address the needs of the ocean. She believes with the right set of intentions and support, ocean farming could be a reality, one that would decrease methane emissions.

Circling back to her comments about English, Johnson told the students to write everything down. "I learned you don't have to wait to be invited. Voice your ideas, let them get traction through writing," she said.

When considering diversity, Johnson said for her it is far more expansive than black and white. "Diversity includes age, color, gender, rich, poor, it's diversity beyond race." She said all they have to do to find out who is missing from the conservation is look around.

When asked what Tabor and the community could do now to help fight climate change, Johnson's response was as broad-based as her education had been – composting and bike lanes came to her mind. She also thought being involved in local politics, knowing what local leaders believe about climate change, is critical.

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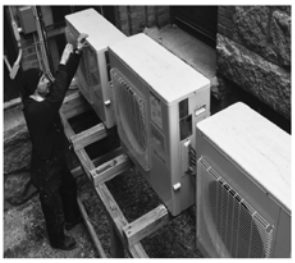

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Snowy Visitors from The Arctic

By George B. Emmons

The seasonal report of the appearance of snowy owls in early Winter gets our undivided attention with all the environmental concern about global warming and the effect on annual wild bird scheduled migration.

The population has already declined to about 200,000 in the northern hemisphere with only 40,000 left to migrate down here in early Winter. Not since the year 2013 has there been a huge influx of snowy visitors with early speculation that it was then due to a shortage of their favorite food, the lemming. A snowy owl lives on approximately five lemmings in one day, or more than 1,600 in just one year as a diurnal hunter by both day and night.

However, to refute this observation, ornithologists visiting the Arctic found that owl nests that year were overflowing with leftover, dead lemming food that then changed our opinion of the reason of massive departure.

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On appearance, the snowy owl is immediately noticed as a high-profile visitor. It is the largest on the continent with a wingspan of at least 5 feet and weighing up to 6.5 pounds. The female is typically larger than the male and has lined markings all over her body as opposed to the nearly all-white plumage of the male as

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Their piercing yellow eyes are fixed in their heads to see in only one direction, forcing them to swivel around on their necks. Excellent hearing allowed them to follow audible movement when we were trying to get a closer view.

We have seen snowy owls frequently stopping to perch on coastal landscape very similar to northern bleak tundra habitat similar to those on Cape Cod, Cranes and Salisbury beaches, Plum Island and recently Logan Airport where one was injured in traffic but could not be saved by conservationists.

The females make their nests by digging a shallow hollow in the ground, laying more eggs when prey is abundant where they choose to reproduce. After the eggs hatch, the male brings her food for a period of time from a wide variety of mammals and birds, including ducks, geese, fish and carrion.

The snowy owls' technical species designation is Bubo scandiacus, making them seem like fearsome creatures when defending their nests or young. They have been seen going after predators like ravens, foxes, wolves and actually dive-bombing intervening human beings.

Conservationists now recommend giving snowy owls plenty of space because when disturbed, their movements become noticed by heckling crows, eagles and crowds of people. Leaving them alone in their stately sentinel statuesque visitation from the northern tundra is a bird-watching, wildlife adventure worth preserving for future generations.

Front Street Station Takes Center Stage

Marion Select Board

By Mick Colageo

The emphasis of the update provided by Kent Nichols of Weston & Sampson to the Marion Select Board on the Front Street Pumping Station is seeking solutions within the confines of available funding programs.

As the town pours over its expensive infrastructural challenges, Tuesday night's Select Board

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meeting became an occasion to hear from Nichols and from the Department of Public Works, Meghan Davis and Nathaniel Munafo.

Nichols said that the update follows up on Marion's Creek Road pumping station, having landed a grant for the Front Street pumping station from Coastal Zone Management.

The sewer station built in 1970 and upgraded in 2004 sits on the Tabor Academy campus. It is the largest sewer station in town and being 500 feet from shore is extremely vulnerable to coastal flooding that results from coastal storms.

Nichols told the Select Board members that the big challenge is providing a much-needed bypass, without which failure at the final point of confluence for all town sewage flows could cripple the town.

Although elevated, said Nichols, the Front Street station would not withstand new flood projections as a 100-year storm would raise water 16.6 feet, well beyond what the 8-foot ground elevation is built to handle.

Crucial to the station's future is a permanent bypass connection that in the case of a catastrophic event would allow town sewer to run from the force main. Marion does not have the portable pumps. The goal, said Nichols, is to reduce the risk of failure by replacing the force main's inoperable valve.

The project schedule presented includes: Phase 1 and future Phase 2 preliminary design from November 2021 to December 2021; Phase 1 final design in January 2022; bidding of Phase 1 construction contract from February 2022 to March 2022; construction of Phase 1 from March 2022 to June 2022; and project completion in June 2022.

Select Board Chairman Norm Hills asked how long must the system be down in order to cut in a replacement valve. Kent said that safely, it would be down between four and six hours.

A grant from the Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management is funding 75 percent of the project with Marion matching 25 percent.

Munafo credited Weston & Sampson for being ahead of its schedule.

In a 6:30 pm appointment, the Select Board voted to approve Harbormaster Isaac Perry's request for a change in the Waterways Regulations under No. 7 to add "existing commercial permits may be transferred to marine businesses with the approval of the harbormaster."

According to Perry, the proposed changes to the commercial mooring regulations is "very simply, housekeeping." Perry told the board that this is how commercial permits have been handled since the inception of regulations in 1984.

In a 6:15 pm appointment, the Select Board voted to approve Police Chief Richard Nighelli's promotion of Jeffrey Habicht as a full-time police lieutenant, Connor

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Flynn as a full-time patrol officer, and Sergeant Sean Day and Sergeant Larry Savery as full-time sergeants. Nighelli told the board that Habicht has been instrumental in guiding the department through police reform.

The board also approved the appointment of Paul J. St. Don to the Cemetery Commission. The other two members are Chairperson Margie Baldwin and Helen Hills.

In his Town Administrator's Report, McGrail updated the board on the annual Town Meeting timeline: the deadline for warrant articles is Tuesday, March 15; the warrant will be closed on April 5, sent to the printer and posted on April 6, and finally mailed to residents on April 20. Town Meeting is scheduled for May 9.

While forecasting that open house and Town Meeting preview dates will be available at the February 1 Select Board meeting, McGrail noted that developer Matt Zuker gave Marion the go-ahead to spend the rest of the $50,000 he funded in relation to the planned residential development for which he sought a zoning change last year to be voted down at Town Meeting.

Due to concerns over speeding in Marion village, McGrail has formed a traffic-advisory group including himself, Davis, Habicht and town residents including a Tabor Academy representative. At Select Board member John Waterman's suggestion, McGrail renamed the group a "pedestrian safety group." The group has hired a consultant to help facilitate its goal to find solutions.

McGrail reported that Town Counsel Jon Witten endorsed Hills' idea to ask the towns elected boards to include the Select Board when adopting new policies. Waterman thinks the idea will have greater success with a "tickler system" in which town offices will regularly communicate with boards and committees to ask if there is anything that the Select Board would want to know.

The Marion Fire Department is receiving $14,750 to help replace expiring gear. Fire Chief Brian Jackvony was thanked for his work in applying for the state grant. The board also voted to accept a donation of $100 to the Marion Fire Department from Robert and Barbara Sanderson.

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preparing a FY23 budget presentation for the Finance Committee on Wednesday, January 26, after which budget hearings will commence. McGrail hopes that the Select Board and Finance Committee can attend departmental meetings.

One area that McGrail anticipates a budgetary strain is via the police reform that resulted in reclassification of employees.

The Old Rochester Regional assessment is expected next week.

Under Action Items, McGrail said that a "complicated problem" at 889 Point Road regarding the responsibility of repairs needs more information and time to sort out. Munafo will consult with Weston & Sampson engineers on the matter, and the item will be on the Select Board's February 1 meeting agenda.

The Select Board also approved the ABCC annual report (liquor licenses) and a Water/Sewer commitment of $344.52 for final readings on January 5.

Passed over were sewer connection applications at 390 Wareham Road and 16 Briggs Lane. Both applicants were recommended to schedule appointments with Munafo.

Prior to the public meeting, the board held an executive session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the Marion Police Brotherhood.

The next meeting of the Marion Select Board is scheduled for Tuesday, February 1, at 6:00 pm.

Phragmites Postgame Gets Complicated

Marion Conservation Commission

By Mick Colageo

Oscillating somewhere in between the unprecedented and the ironically familiar, what at first seemed like a molehill grew into a mountain of debate for the Marion Conservation Commission during its January 12 meeting.

The wrinkle that set off what otherwise would have been a feel-good granting of a Certificate of Compliance to Joseph and Caroline Sheehan for their successful eradication of invasive plants at 17 Nokomis Road was the applicant's request to include an ongoing condition allowing Land Stewardship Inc., which was retained to perform the work, to treat the few stems of phragmites that may pop up.

"Over time, those plants are going to continue to encroach on other property," said Conservation Commission Chairman Shaun Walsh, noting that members of the commission conducted a site visit on January 8. "The site looks great."

While Vice Chairman Jeff Doubrava said he has no issue with ConCom awarding the Certificate of Compliance due the Sheehans, he said he is opposed to what essentially would be a "forever continuing condition that allows them to apply chemicals to a piece of property."

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"Now I think that, if they want to go and treat those, they could file (a Request for Determination of Applicability). We've given out RDA's before for small, invasive plant treatment. That way, if things change in three years' time, that order lasts for three years. And they can come back to us again and again, as opposed to saying, '50 years from now it's still okay to use chemical treatment to treat phragmites.'"

Conservation Agent Doug Guey-Lee said that if the homeowners do not file another application (RDA,) then the phragmites are likely to reemerge. He noted that every herbicide and pesticide is designed to kill something so there literally is no such thing as a safe one.

Walsh said that the management plan could include such a condition as requested if it references the land-management plan as previously presented, including hand pulling and targeted herbicide treatment.

Doubrava reiterated it to be a matter of control. "My issue is not with them continuing to treat the things that pop back up. My issue is forever," he said. "You know, (if) 20 years from now we figure out that there's a natural solution of some plant that will outcompete phragmites and we should never have used an herbicide on the saltmarsh again and, guess what, we've given them a 'forever' for the rest of all time. ... That's my concern, we've given all control up."

Based on the reasonable assumption that any professional is going to choose the least-dangerous

chemical, Walsh said he is in favor of including a perpetual condition that is "very specific and narrowly framed."

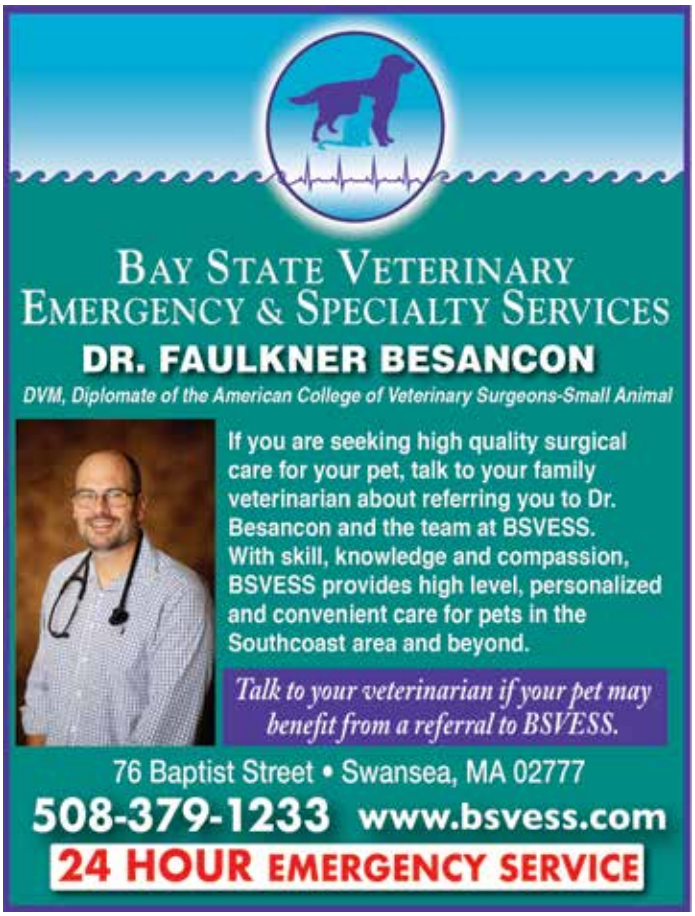
Like Guey-Lee, ConCom member Emil Assing said he sees both sides of the argument. As a licensed pesticide applicator, he has observed a failure to eradicate phragmites in Brainard Marsh without the use of pesticides. Assing said the invasive plants have made a strong comeback there.

Nonetheless, Assing agreed with Doubrava, saying it's not a big deal for the applicant to file a RDA for recurring treatment. "If it's someone who really cares about managing the land, they're not going to mind filing an RDA for this," he said.

ConCom member Ethan Gerber asked if there is precedent for the kind of conditioning that Walsh favored. He later said he's not a fan of combining chemicals with perpetuity.

While Doubrava stuck to his argument that the commission is ceding control by issuing a "forever" condition that theoretically could become detrimental should a safer chemical become the new industry standard, Walsh insisted that the safeguards are already built into the management plan.

Using the example of adding back sand to areas of beach erosion, Walsh asked Doubrava if the commission should then abandon perpetual conditions in all certificates of compliance. Doubrava acknowledged the



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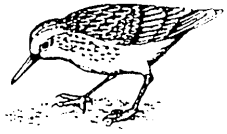

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point but did not stand down.

ConCom member Mark Bellanger said that the existing mechanism of three-year decisions come back to the commission on a regular basis. "A quick RDA is not a burden," he said.

Walsh offered a compromise of including a perpetual condition but limited to hand pulling only with no use of chemicals authorized. The commissioners held no objection, and they voted unanimously to support the issuance of a Certificate of Compliance.

Two public hearings took place.

In response to Clayton Bosch's Notice of Intent filing that proposed a septic-system repair at his 2 Sassomon Trail home, the commission voted to issue an Order of Conditions.

The new unit incorporates denitrification per the Board of Health, according to representative Dave Davignon of Schneider, Davignon and Leone Inc.

Davignon said that the house was built in two stages, beginning in 1980. ConCom conducted a site visit on January 8 and Walsh said that according to the plan, the leaching area sits among mature trees. Being a stone-and-pipe field, Davignon said the standard practice is to abandon it in place unless the soil is disturbed or contaminated.

"We know where the septic tank is, we were able to get an invert out of the tank," said Davignon, noting the location as next to the driveway. "That's what we need to pump and remove. As far as the leaching field ... if it's not in the location we're showing it, all the better as far as I'm concerned."

In summarizing special conditions, Bellanger described the work as a buffer-zone project located 57 linear feet from the resource area. Along with general conditions and erosion-control conditions, ConCom added 20 feet of siltation fencing or 10 haybales.

ConCom issued a Negative Boxes 2 and 3 Determination of Applicability to Diana Markel supporting her proposed plan for a 16-foot diameter stone paver patio on a gravel base at her 2 Lewis Street home.

John and Pamela Lees, who filed a Notice of Intent for reconstruction of a single-family house, an inground swimming pool, along with repair of a seawall with associated work at 49 Water Street, sought and were granted a continuance of their case to ConCom's March 9 meeting. According to Walsh, the Lees will be doing additional analysis at the site and need to see that to completion.

The Planning Board requested ConCom's comments on the Marion Lands Trust's application for a Special Permit that would allow a common, 10-foot-wide gravel driveway to serve two lots at 371 Wareham Street, including a future single-family home now the subject of an Approval Not Required (ANR) filing.

ConCom had recently granted an Order of Conditions in which the driveway was servicing only the existing home. A new plan dated December 21 shows a

more complete plan, according to Guey-Lee. According to Walsh, the applicant would need further ConCom approval to complete the new plan.

The next meeting of the Marion Conservation Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, January 26, at 7:00 pm.

Two Clapp Road Residences Proposed

Rochester Conservation Commission

By Marilou Newell

Two speculative and conceptual residences were proposed for lots located along Clapp Road when the Rochester Conservation Commission met on January 18.

Coming before the commission with the two individual plans was David Davignon of Schneider Davignon and Leone, Inc. The first filing was a Request for Determination of Applicability for a lot identified as 3A, owned by Clapp Nominee Trust c/o William D. Clapp.

As Davignon described the design and overall layout, he said that the property abuts the riverfront area of Sherman Brook but that all planned construction for the proposed four-bedroom home, two-car garage and in-ground pool would be outside jurisdictional areas. As the discussion proceeded, Davignon's assertion that the wetlands boundary is correct was challenged by member Dan Gagne.

Gagne said that the plans did not bear

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an engineer's certified stamp and that given that independent certification of the riverfront line was not submitted, he was not comfortable with the project as presented in the RDA form. Gagne's concerns were echoed by the majority of the commission.

Gagne voiced his opinion that the project should be filed via a Notice of Intent versus RDA and that through that process more assurances including possibly a peer-review consultant would help to clear up riverfront questions.

Davignon offered to continue the hearing in order to give the commission an opportunity to make a site visit to see the line of boulders that now denote the riverfront line, but Gagne said, "I don't think we are the right ones to do that."

The hearing was continued to February 1 to give Davignon time to work with his client.

On the next Clapp Road conceptual design also filed on behalf of William Clapp for a lot described as 2-3, the application was a Notice of Intent.

Again, Davignon described in detail a proposed residence nearly identical to the previously proposed conceptual design. He stated that no work was planned for the riverfront area noted as being 250 feet from the construction area. Although the parcel is 5 acres, only a single-family house lot could be developed due to surrounding jurisdictional spaces, Gagne commented. That point, Gagne said, would be important to point out to potential buyers. "They won't be getting country living from an urban-sized lot," he said.

Comments to Davignon from the commissioners centered primarily on trying new ways to orient the future residence on the lot to maximize its potential. The issue of a shared driveway was also touched on with Gagne saying it could be a problem.

Davignon requested a continuance to February 1.

Earlier in the proceedings, the commission approved a Certificate of Compliance for 8 Thistle Lane, owned by Michael Santos and another to Andrew Diagiammo and Donald Look for property located at 15 Elizabeth Drive.

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Shared Driveway Permitted on Route 6

Marion Planning Board

By Mick Colageo

Reconfiguration of a driveway's connection to Route 6 is in the works, and that invariably draws an extra dimension of scrutiny from municipal vetting boards because anything Route 6 related, especially residential, must be examined in the dynamic context of an old highway that itself is the subject of plans for a massive overhaul in design and infrastructure.

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Marion Lands Trust's application for a special permit to construct a common driveway to serve two lots at 371 Wareham Street was unanimously approved by the Marion Planning Board.

As prescribed by Planning Board Chairman Will Saltonstall and voted 6-0 in favor, a decision letter to be finalized midweek will state that the applicant meets the criteria of Section 230-8.9, F1.6 and will fulfill three special conditions: The applicant must seek a curb-cut approval with state Department of Transportation; prior to construction, the applicant must submit a common-driveway maintenance plan for the board's approval; and the applicant must submit all documents for water and sewer connections.

The applicant's representative, Matt Leone of engineering firm Schneider, Davignon and Leone, Inc., explained that the special permit sought on January 18 applies solely to a new driveway that will be shared by the two lots directly behind 369 Wareham Street which consists of an office and apartments.

The present design allows the residents of 371 Wareham Street to drive through the 369 Wareham Street parking lot to access the property out back. An Approval Not Required (ANR) application will divide the back lot (371) into two lots. The parking lot connection will be blocked, and the two back lots, both single-family dwellings, will share a separate driveway to their residences.

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Saltonstall clarified that subdivision rules do not apply to a common driveway, but Fire Chief Brian Jackvony had no comment on the application. Leone reminded the board that only the shared portion of the new driveway was being considered for the special permit and that further plans would develop and return to the Planning Board for their approval.

"That may not be part of the requirement, but I would think you'd want to be able to get a fire truck close," said Collings.

Leone acknowledged the concerned and emphasized that the plans as seen around the shared segment of the driveway were "purely conceptual. ... What you see will be required to go back to more permitting (and more adjustments," Leone explained. "The owner of Lot 2A will be responsible for all the construction, development and maintenance of that driveway."

Member Eileen Marum was concerned if a gravel driveway would be solid enough for a fire truck or should the wheels of a large vehicle leave that surface, how the surrounding ground would handle the weight.

Marum also asked about the condition of a culvert shown on the plan. Leone said the culvert is functioning but has been proposed for replacement, according to Dave Davignon's construction plans.

An apparent typo in Davignon's narrative using the letters HMO became a topic of discussion because, as Marum pointed out to the board, the letters theoretically could be mistaken as an abbreviation for "House and Multiple Occupation," which refers to a scenario in which few to several unrelated people share a house. "If this is going to be a rooming house, we should know," she said.

Leone insisted and property owner David Croll jumped into the fray to confirm that what was intended should have indicated "homeowners association" and as member Norm Hills pointed out, made contextual sense because the subject at hand was the responsibility of shared-driveway maintenance between two separate homeowners.

As the argument dragged on, Hills asked Croll if he considers approval critical at this meeting. Croll answered, "It's pretty important Norm."

Croll promised Marum she would have clarification on the "HMO" typo in the presentation by Wednesday. The board voted unanimously (6-0) to grant the special permit.

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Cell Tower Case Continued

Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals

By Mick Colageo

An application for a special permit to construct a cell-phone tower off High Street was heard on January 13 by the Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals, which after lengthy discussion voted to continue the public hearing to its next meeting.

The public hearing opening Case No. 1170 involves Industrial Tower and Wireless, LLC, which is seeking the permit to reduce the required setback by 50 percent so it can construct a 190-foot, monopole-style telecommunications facility under Chapter 22.30 that addresses Personal Wireless Services Facilities of the Rochester Zoning Bylaws.

Before the presentation by Industrial Tower and Wireless, LLC, representatives Shayna Galinat and engineer/industrial manager Kevin Delaney, ZBA Chairman David Arancio read an abutters list over 30 names long.

Having received a negative determination of applicability to wetlands confirmed in correspondence from Rochester's conservation agent and having made a preliminary introduction of the project to the town's Planning Board, the zoning hurdle was on deck.

Galinat explained that the Special Permit application seeks relief from the Chapter 22.30 setback rule requiring 100 percent of the tower height, which

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Where the ZBA meets the case is in the matter of the tower's location to the nearest property line. The applicant hopes the board will allow a 100-foot proximity because the tower would sit on land owned by A.D. Makepeace and be closest to an adjacent lot also owned by the same cranberry company. The closest property not owned by A.D. Makepeace is 521 feet away.

With a slide presentation, Delaney summarized the proposed construction to include a 2,500 long and 12-foot-wide driveway that would enter from High Street and run alongside the bogs to the site where the driveway will be met by a locked gate.

Inside the 100-foot square will be an 80-foot square with the tower at the center of the compound. Within the compound, the applicant is proposing 6-inches deep of .75-inch crushed stone. The only clearing is proposed for inside the 100-foot square. Communication shelters will surround the tower, and no cables will exist outside the square. All utilities to the site will be underground.

The arrays to be placed near the top of the tower will require 10 feet of vertical separation from one another. The tower is not the kind that requires any type of lighting, according to Delaney, who said there will be no beacon or strobe light. Delaney said the applicant has permission from the Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission.

In answer to ZBA member Davis Sullivan, Delaney said that any antennas extending the height of the 190-foot tower would belong to the Rochester Fire and Police departments and would not result in a tower 200-feet high so as not to require further permitting or lighting.

Delaney displayed a coverage map illustrating the closest tower being between three and four miles away in Wareham and two other towers in Rochester that are between four and five miles away. The new tower would presumably fill in a significant coverage gap in Rochester.

"I'd be willing to bet that just about every person that's been here uses a cell phone, and utilities need to be in place for services like that," Sullivan would say late in the meeting. "I happen to have two sets of power lines through an easement on the back of my property. You need to have electricity.

"You have to take into consideration what they're trying to do here, they're trying to improve the service in dead areas in Rochester so there would be some benefit to the people in town."

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application and concerns about radiation to the necessity of more towers and a written report referencing studies that trace health problems to the proximity of such towers. Arancio asked for the report to be sent to the ZBA administrator.

Delaney explained that cell-phone towers and the phones themselves have evolved over the decades, and the resultant specifications have meant less height, less coverage and the need for more, smaller towers.

Abutter John Lund, 43 Forbes Road, was told that the balloon simulation at the top of the tower could not been seen from any spot in between the markers displayed in the slide presentation, but a subsequent comment said that the visibility determinations should be made when the trees are bare.

After Galinat summarized her confidence in the applicant's qualifications for the Special Permit, Arancio was quick to predict that the January 13 meeting would not provide adequate time to digest all of the responses.

ZBA member Thomas Flynn asked Galinat to elaborate on the application, citing "improvement in vision and safety" as the bylaw-prescribed driver that would justify a vote to reduce the setback requirement in the applicant's favor. He told Galinat that he interpreted the presentation as mitigation rather than improvement.

Referring to a visual of what a 200-foot property-line setback would look like, Galinat said, "We believe that the 100-foot setback is improving the visual aspect

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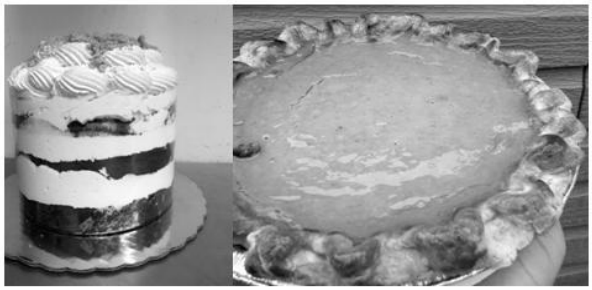

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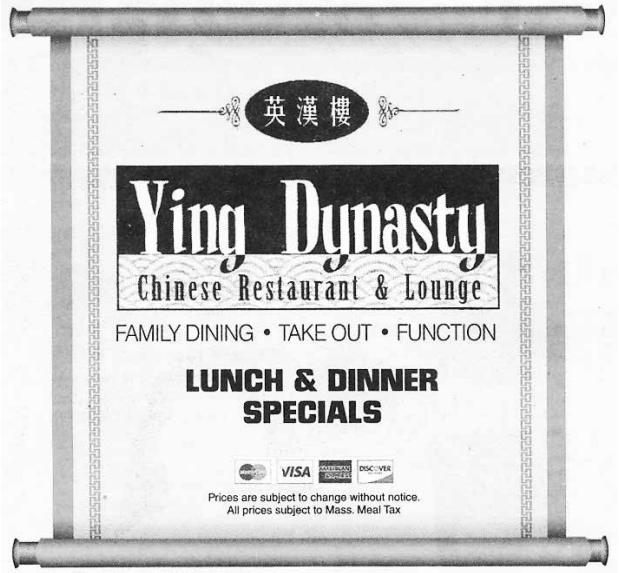

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(to abutters.)" She asserted that a plan based on a 200-foot setback requirement would make the tower more visible from area residences.

Galinat said that while introducing the project to the Planning Board, the initial plan was for the setback to be only 40 feet from the property line on the basis that A.D. Makepeace owns the adjacent lot. Arancio advised Galinat that should the company's impending full-scale presentation to the Planning Board result in a single change on the plan of record, the applicant will then be required to go back before the ZBA.

ZBA member Kirby Gilmore's recusal from the case prompted Arancio to advise Galinat that the remaining four voting members would all need to vote in favor for the permit to be awarded, but that became a moot point when the need to digest substantial feedback and conduct a site visit (Friday, January 21) necessitated continuation.

The members voted 4-0 to continue the public hearing to January 27.

In other business, the ZBA voted to approve its FY23 annual budget proposal. The members also voted to approve the ZBA's 2021 annual report.

The next meeting of the Rochester ZBA is scheduled for Thursday, January 27, at 7:00 pm.

Bike Path Comes under Scrutiny

Mattapoisett Community Preservation Committee

By Mick Colageo

The Mattapoisett Community Preservation Committee fielded four requests during its January 14 meeting, and of greater interest than the merits of three of the projects was their funding sources.

One familiar project came under more direct scrutiny, and that was $120,000 request from both the Mattapoisett Bike Path and Friends of the Mattapoisett Bike Path to fund pre-design documents for Phase 2a.

Chairman Chuck McCullough told the committee that the Community Preservation Act has already resulted in close to $400,000 in funding for the bike path spread out across six to eight awards.

"We have not always fully funded their application. This is a lot of permits and it's a ton of money ... for a mile. Some of the justification for it, I just don't see it as reasonable," said CPC member Bill Hall.

Member Margaret DeMello took issue with the route, and McCullough said that it is so wet up by the state building there may need to be some type of bridge. "We may end up meeting with the Bike Path Committee on two occasions," he said, noting that the same discussions will occur with Mattapoisett's Capital Planning Committee.

Member Marilou Newell clarified that an award from the current request would be used solely for exploratory purposes.

It was also noted that the Marion Pathways Committee sent the CPC a letter supporting the plan's entry point to the neighboring town.

The CPC fielded two requests from Mattapoisett's Select Board. A $54,495 request would fund repairs to the existing skatepark behind the fire station and Center School basketball courts, along with the construction of new pickle ball courts. A $10,000 request would fund repair of the swordfish weathervane seasonally located on Long Wharf.

Along with the obvious question as to why the Select Board delivered these requests, a philosophical question arose of CPA funds addressing projects that at

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least in part could be classified as maintenance.

Having heard at the completion of the fire station that the town would repair the area disturbed by construction, McCullough asked, "Why isn't the skateboard park falling under that umbrella?" He also wondered aloud where the Recreation Department fits into the situation.

Committee members were unclear on the location of the pickleball courts in the funding request, some suggesting that they shared the same space as the basketball court.

Hall shared concern over the din of repeated pickleball pelting near neighboring houses. "Pickelball's an annoying noise, it's the smacking of that pickleball," he said. "I know it sounds foolish, but the ball against the paddle is noisy."

CPC member James Pierson agreed with McCullough that the requests should be resubmitted as separate line items because, if one fails, they all fail.

As a member of the Field family known for its care of the swordfish weathervane, CPC member Sue Wilbur provided context to the Select Board's $10,000 request, explaining that the original construction would be repaired a final time, taken out of harm's way and displayed indoors. The request would include the construction of a replica model with modern materials better suited to brave the elements.

"I think that their goal is to get the fiberglass one up for the summer, but this one should not go back up," said Wilbur, noting that Jimmy Broadwater has offered to recast it and Triad Boat Yard offered to take it down with its crane. "A lot of people have volunteered their time that are not looking to get paid."

Newell suggested a fundraising opportunity for the summer months, the goal being to avoid dipping into the Historical Commission's budget to complete the project.

Another $10,000 request, this one from the Historical Commission, would fund a town-wide inventory of historic sites, buildings and other features conducted by a professional historic researcher. McCullough compared the effort to the digitizing of Cushing Cemetery records, an endeavor he considered entirely worthwhile.

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Newell told the committee that the town's Historical Commission was charged with identifying historic sites in the late 1970s into the early '80s. As a result, Mattapoisett's Town Hall, for instance, is not on any list of importance.

The Town of Marion has extensively gone through the two-year process and offer Mattapoisett officials guidance.

A historic survey, said Newell, would reveal the historic value of parcels north of Route 6.

McCullough plans to send out a draft of questions to guide presentations to be made in what likely will necessitate four future CPC meetings inviting the Select Board, Historical Commission and Bike Path Committee.

The next step, he said, will be a public meeting of the committee where the members will rank the requests with use of a scoring tool.

The next meeting of the CPC is scheduled for Friday, January 28, at 5:00 pm.

Last-Mile Funding Discussed

Mattapoisett Bike Path Study Committee

By Marilou Newell

During the January 12 meeting of the Mattapoisett Bike Path Study Committee chaired by Steve Kelleher, funding needs for aspects of Phase 2a, deemed

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"The Last Mile" from Railroad Avenue to North Street, was discussed.

Kelleher said that a grant application to the town's Community Preservation Act Committee had been filed in the amount of $120,000. The breakdown of those monies, if appropriated through Town Meeting vote, includes pre-design needs such as appraisals for land takings and easement rights, wetland studies and permitting fees. He said that Representative Bill Straus was reaching out to appraisers, who would put a monetary value on private property needed to complete the trail.

Bonnie DeSousa of the Friends of the Mattapoisett Bike Path added to the discussion with more detailed financial projections after it was noted by Kelleher that Capital Planning wanted more information of prior monies allotted to the bike-path phases and projections for remaining phase(s).

DeSousa said that the FMBP was providing support to the town's committee to help provide more definitive financial projections for future bike-path construction before and during rounds of discussion and review with the Capital Planning and Finance committees.

In DeSousa's financial outlines, she noted that Phase 2a cost estimates include $60,000 for land acquisitions, $285,000 for design engineering, $120,000 for pre-design needs (CPA grant as previously noted), and construction costs ranging from $1,600,000 to $3,800,000.

In explaining the construction estimates, DeSousa said that an estimating tool available from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation was used. That tool used data that included the topography and environmental conditions of proposed routes. For instance, DeSousa said conditions such as woodlands versus wetlands versus railroad beds and the length of the trail were all part of the program's algorithms used to calculate cost estimates. DeSousa said assumptions such as where MassDOT would elect to have the bike path cross Route 6 were yet to be determined.

The committee moved to partner with the FMBP to advise the town on cost estimates for remaining phase(s). The proposed last mile (Phase 2a) runs from the end of Railroad Avenue across Route 6 and onward towards North Street near the entrance to Industrial Drive. Phase 2b, proposed to run along Industrial Drive, is part of another major infrastructure project that would see federal funding used for a complete redesign of the roadway from North Street to the entrance of Bay Club on its northside. The bike path proposed to run in tandem with Industrial Drive is just over a mile, Kelleher said, and would connect Mattapoisett's pathway with Marion's proposed pathway also utilizing the former railroad bed.

Earlier in the meeting, Kelleher said that the stalled completion of Phase 1b was being studied and reviewed by the DOT in an ongoing attempt to resolve issues with the planking used on the marshland bridge. He said that the state was doing a small sampling of a solution that would use double-thick planks to determine if that would stop the splitting problems found midway through construction.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett Bike Path Study Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, February 9, at 5:30 pm.

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Revenue Key to Sewer Direction

Marion Water/Sewer Commissioners

By Mick Colageo

Marion's Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan was updated in the form of a January

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13 workshop in which Weston & Sampson representatives Kent Nichols and Lori Toscano presented to the Water/Sewer Commissioners.

In Marion, the Water/Sewer Commissioners are the three members of the Select Board, Chairman Norm Hills and members Randy Parker and John Waterman.

While some wrinkles in the town's overall plan are presently being ironed out such as the ongoing installation of the lagoon at the Wastewater Treatment Plant at Benson Brook, other challenges to its sewer infrastructure remain.

Marion homeowners rely heavily on grinder pumps for their connection to low-pressure sewer lines. Of more than 600 grinder pumps in the town's sewer system, 470 fall under the town's maintenance program.

"We need to stop the bleeding," said Waterman, looking over alternatives to solve the challenges faced by a town with many private sewer lines that complicate system maintenance responsibility, responsiveness, perception and user fees.

According to Department of Public Works Director Nathaniel Munafo, there has been a significant increase in service calls. While it was said that Marion financed the grinder pumps over 30 years, the equipment has a 10-year lifespan.

In FY21, the town paid $68,300 to maintain grinder pumps and budgeted $68,000 for FY22, according to the Weston & Sampson presentation. Service calls including minor incidences averaged $1,086 per call from 2019 to 2021, including $1,238 per call during 2020-21 and $1,442 in 2021.

There are 70 privately owned and privately maintained grinder pumps connected to Marion sewer, 90 more lots that could potentially need grinder pumps with a connection to private sewer, and up to another 90 more that would need grinder pumps should they connect to municipal sewer.

Alternatives summarized by Weston & Sampson include: allowing private sewers in new extensions; adopting more-prescriptive regulations on how private sewers are made and maintained; prohibiting any new private sewer construction; prohibiting new private sewer construction and add regulations to existing private sewers; and, most aggressive, prohibit private sewer altogether, incorporating a plan to phase out existing private lines.

After the commissioners batted the topic around, Town Administrator Jay McGrail said, "sounds to me like we're closer to 'B' than we are to 'C,'" meaning it's more likely than prohibit new private sewer lines Marion officials will adopt more-prescriptive regulations on how private sewers are made and maintained.

Given the floor, Barry Gaffey, 22 Converse Road, told the commissioners, "You can't create a policy and go away from what the town did." Gaffey blames the problems on Converse Road on the low-pressure system

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Nichols said that homes with grinder pumps located near a pump station would likely be connected to a gravity sewer line, but all low-lying homes and those close to the water will be on low-pressure sewer or step systems or vacuum sewers. "Low pressure is kind of the devil you know in this case," said Nichols, noting it is cost effective because it can be built in shallow ground under the road.

Marion is currently in discussion in Fieldstone Lane homeowners and in other locations while it determines how to deal with the sewer needs of private versus public roads.

Nichols said that, while a majority of homes with grinder pumps are on private roads or right of ways, a good number of them have parts that extend onto public ways. Waterman said that alters the town's obligation of maintenance.

"We're missing out on the little local hookups," said Marion developer and resident Sherman Briggs, noting that the revenue the town generates from fees related to Infiltration and Inflow (I/I) are not maximized. "I'm confident people would hook up with some incentive."

Hills said that most of the issues have been discussed before so it will "all get thrown in the same pot."

The Water/Sewer Commissioners meet on a quarterly basis; the next meeting was not scheduled at adjournment.

ORR's Colby Gross Qualifies for Nationals

Sports Roundup

By Matthew Curry

Over the weekend, the Old Rochester Regional High School track team competed January 14-16 in the Northeast Invitational at the Reggie Lewis Center in Boston. Jen Williams took third place in the high jump and fourth place in the 55-meter hurdles on Saturday, but the standout performance came on Sunday in the boys 400 meters.

Colby Gross took first in the race with a time of

49.83 seconds. Not only did his win break the previous meet record, but it also qualified Gross for the New Balance Nationals to be held March 11-13 in New York.

On January 12, Gross led the Bulldogs to a dual-meet win over Greater New Bedford Voc-Tech, winning the 600 meters and serving as the anchor leg of the 4x400 relay team, which also included Teddy Carroll, John Kassabian and Matthew Curry.

Also contributing to the 52-34 win was Murray Copps, who took first place in the mile. Kassabian won the 1,000 meters, Leo Schiappa won the 300, Torsten Brickley took first in the 2 mile, and Jacksen Martin placed first in shot put.

The girls' meet was even more one-sided, ending with a score of 84-2. Williams was a triple winner in the dash, hurdles and high jump. Alexia Gonsalves won the mile and 2 mile. Also taking first for the Lady Bulldogs were Cameran Weaver in the 600, Maddie Connor in the 1,000, Audrey Thomas in the 300 and Taylor Green in shot-put.

The Bulldogs' final dual meet of the season comes on Thursday, January 20, when they face rival Dighton-Rehoboth for the conference title.

Boys Basketball

The Bulldogs faced Seekonk on January 14, picking up a 65-44 win on the road. **Steven Morrell** scored 23 points, **Sawyer Fox** scored 11 and **Gavin Martin** contributed 9 points. The Bulldogs hosted Somerset

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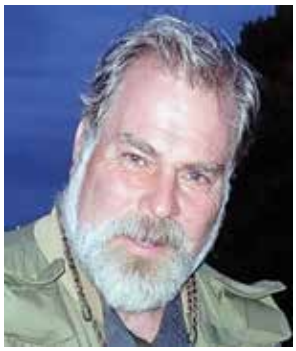

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OBITUARIES

Sharon M. (Nobrega) Blanchard, 73, of Rochester passed away Tuesday, January 11, 2022 after a brief illness. She was the wife of the late Philip Blanchard.

Born in Washington, DC, a daughter of the late Daniel and Juliette (Bonvouloir) Nobrega she lived most of her life in the area.

Mrs. Blanchard was a homemaker who took care of her two daughters. In her spare time, she enjoyed sewing and creating all types of clothing for her loved ones. Sharon also enjoyed gardening and playing games on her computer.

She is survived by two daughters, Nicole Andrews and her husband David of Rochester and Tara Blanchard of Fairhaven; two grandchildren, Jacob and Hailey Andrews; siblings, Joyce Bruni-Jared of Virginia Beach, VA and Gerard Nobrega of Taunton; and several nieces and nephews. She was the sister of the late Bruce Nobrega. Her services are private and under the direction of the Rock Funeral Home, 1285 Ashley Blvd., New Bedford, MA 02745. For online tribute: www.rock-funeralhome.com.

Peter Frederick Trow, 69, of Mattapoisett died peacefully on January 12, 2022 surrounded by his family at Brigham and Women's Hospital following a sudden onset of complications from chronic lymphocytic leukemia.

He leaves behind his beloved wife, Amy (Fistori) Trow, his cherished daughter, Grace (Trow) Potter and her husband Chet of Mattapoisett. He is survived by his sister Deborah (Trow) Dunklee and her husband Lester and his brother Mark Trow and his wife Tonya. Peter was also the son-in-law of Nancy and the late Paul Fistori and brother-in-law of Anne and the late John Langlois, Meg and Randy Spence, Paul and Erin Fistori, and John and Christine Fistori. He was the proud uncle of many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Born in Cambridge, MA, Peter was a son of the late Granville Trow and Betty (Davis) Trow.

He attended UMass Amherst on a full basketball scholarship and graduated in 1976 with a Bachelor of Science in Physical Education. During his time at UMass he played and coached professional basketball in Europe. Peter's successful career in scientific product sales culminated in his position as a Vice President at VWR International until his retirement in 2018. Peter was inducted into the Old Rochester Regional Athletic Hall of Fame in 2011 and the New England Basketball Hall of Fame in 2013.

Peter was an avid sailor, kayaker, cyclist, swimmer, and pickle ball player. He always looked forward to Thursday night outings with "the basketball guys". He enjoyed spending time with his family and close friends on the patio he designed at his lifelong home in Mattapoisett.

A wake was held on Monday, January 17, 2022 at Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home For Funerals in Mattapoisett. A celebration of Peter's life will be held in late spring 2022.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in memory of Peter.

Andrew B. Denham, 39, died January 12, 2022 after a long battle with addiction.

Born in New Bedford, son of Barry J. and Deborah M. (Bourdon) Denham, he lived in Mattapoisett most of his life.

He was employed as a heavy equipment operator and as a landscaper.

Andrew enjoyed music, singing and playing the guitar.

He was a kind warm hearted loving son. Andrew will be missed.

Survivors include his parents; his girlfriend, Stacey Brack and her son Gabe of Braintree; a sister, Lisa Denham and her fiance Jeff Perry of New Bedford; a nephew, Justin Perry; 2 aunts, Lois Alves of Mattapoisett and Penny Lupo and her husband Hugh of Danbury, CT; and his uncle, Bob Bourdon of Mattapoisett.

His funeral arrangements are incomplete.

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Berkley on Tuesday and will visit Joseph Case High School (Swansea) on Tuesday, January 25.

Girls Basketball

Old Rochester's girls' basketball team continued to extend its win streak on January 14 with a 64-26 win over visiting Seekonk. **Tess Adams** led the Lady Bulldogs with 19 points, and another 13 were scored by **Maddie Wright.** ORR faced Somerset Berkley on Tuesday and will host Case on Tuesday, January 25.

Boys Hockey

The boys' hockey team played against Dartmouth at the Dunkin Donuts Center January 14. The game preceded the Providence Bruins game and saw the Bulldogs lose, 13-5. They played against Dighton-Rehoboth/Seekonk the next day at the Falmouth Ice Arena, where their losing streak was extended by a 4-1 loss. The Bulldogs will face Greater New Bedford Voc-Tech on Saturday, January 22, at Hetland Memorial Arena. Faceoff is scheduled for 7:30 pm following the UMass Dartmouth game.

Girls Hockey

The Lady Bulldogs had similar results to their male counterparts last week, losing 7-2 against Dennis-Yarmouth on January 12, followed by an 8-1 loss against Martha's Vineyard on January 15 and a 4-1 loss against Malden Catholic on January 16. ORR faced Cape Cod Tech on Wednesday and will play a pair of games this weekend at Gallo Arena, facing Sandwich on Saturday, January 22, at 2:00 pm and the East-West Bridgewater co-op on Sunday, January 23, at 8:30 pm.

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Correction

In the January 13 Wanderer, the article on the Marion Affordable Housing Trust erred in reporting that AHT member Norm Hills said the Open Space Acquisition Commission should become involved in the future of the Lockheed Martin property. Hills actually said that "open space has to be considered in our

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8:00 PM Mattapoisett Fire Station Grand Opening
8:30 PM The Non-Profit World
9:00 PM Paltrocast
9:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Saturday January 22, 2022
6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon Festival
9:00 AM Health Source
9:30 AM Recovery Fitness
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Conversations on Mental Health
11:00 AM Wellness Wednesday
11:30 AM Science 360
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM SouthCoast Matters
2:00 PM Garden Therapy
2:40 PM Hollywood Costume Designer Ruth E. Carter
3:30 PM inspiring Careers
4:00 PM Paltrocast
4:30 PM Libraries in the Modern Day
5:12 PM Car Enthusiast with Richard Cutler
5:30 PM For Art's Sake
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Tri-County Symphony Orchestra Brass Quartet
7:30 PM Off the Shelf - Books on Tour
8:00 PM City Hall Insider
8:30 PM Money Matters TV
9:00 PM Registers Report
9:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes
10:00 PM 4 Deep Sports
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Sunday January 23, 2022
6:00 AM Health Source
6:30 AM The Art of Tai Chi
7:30 AM The Art of Being Human
8:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester
10:00 AM St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church of Marion
11:00 AM Conversations in Mental Health
11:30 AM Southcoast Matters TV
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Peggs Francis
2:30 PM ORRHS Boys Basketball vs Wareham
4:00 PM Paltrocast
4:30 PM Fur, Fins, and Feathers
5:00 PM The World Fusion Show
5:30 PM In the Toy Box
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Alzheimers Risks with Jennifer Hoadley
7:01 PM This is America & The World
7:30 PM Beacon Hill Report
8:02 PM Reel Smaht
8:30 PM Pete on the Street
9:00 PM Fan to Fan
9:30 PM Books and the World
10:00 PM Ghost Chronicles
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Monday January 24, 2022
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Seniors on the Move
8:00 AM Health Expert
8:30 AM You and Your Health
9:00 AM Schvitz'n with Norm
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Glass Studio on Cape Cod
11:00 AM Lucy's World of Painting
11:30 AM Learning Music with Pat
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM Music Monday's with Houston Bernard
2:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV
2:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV
3:00 PM The Collective Chat
3:30 PM Arts Alive
4:00 PM Paltrocast
4:30 PM Mattapoisett Library - Rare Books
5:30 PM Recovery Recreation TV
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM Fur, Fins, and Feathers
7:00 PM The Friends of Jack Foundation
7:30 PM Beyond My Crisis
8:00 PM Pete on the Street
8:30 PM Reeling Movie Review
9:00 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Tuesday January 25, 2022
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Seniors on the Move
8:00 AM You and Your Health
8:30 AM Health Expert
9:07 AM Wellness Wednesday
9:30 AM Tae Kwon Do
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club
11:00 AM The Friends of Jack Foundation
11:30 AM Cape Conversations
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:38 PM Garden Therapy Teas and Oils
2:07 PM The Non-Profit World
2:30 PM Garden Talk with Teresa
3:11 PM Car Enthusiasts with Richard Cutler
3:30 PM Life's Happy Stories
4:00 PM Paltrocast
4:30 PM Reel Smaht
5:00 PM The Friends of Jack Foundation
5:35 PM Off the Shelf
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show
7:00 PM The Friends of Jack Foundation
7:30 PM Beyond my Cri
8:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes
9:00 PM Hollywood Movie Maker
10:00 PM Gay USA
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Wednesday January 26, 2022
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM On the Move
8:30 AM Health Source
9:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road
9:30 AM Tae Kwon Do
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show
10:30 AM Conversations in Mental Health
11:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
1:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV
2:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV
2:30 PM Wellness Wednesdays
3:00 PM Governor Baker COVID-19 Update
3:35 PM Music Monday's with Houston Bernard
4:00 PM Paltrocast
4:30 PM ORRHS Boys Basketball vs Wareham
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show
7:00 PM Recovery Recreation TV
7:30 PM Registers Report
8:03 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Seaweed
9:00 PM 4 Deep Sports Talk
10:00 PM Ghost Chronicles
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

MARION GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 39
Daily Schedule
7:00 AM Marion Board of Selectmen
8:05 AM Marion Planning Board
9:30 AM Marion Conservation Commission
11:00 AM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals
12:00 PM Marion Affordable Housing Trust
1:00 PM Marion Open Space Acquisition Committee
2:30 PM Marion Board of Health
3:00 PM Marion School Committee
4:00 PM Marion Affordable Housing Trust
5:00 PM Marion Pathway Committee
7:30 PM Marion Board of Selectmen
9:00 PM Marion Planning Board
10:30 PM Marion Conservation Commission

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 40
Daily Schedule
7:00 AM Rochester Board of Selectmen
7:30 AM Rochester Conservation Commission
9:00 AM Rochester Planning Board
11:00 AM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals
12:00 PM Rochester School Committee
2:00 PM ORR School Committee
4:30 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen
5:00 PM Rochester Conservation Commission
6:30 PM Rochester Planning Board
8:30 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals
9:30 PM Rochester School Committee

EDUCATION CHANNEL
Comcast Channel 97
Verizon Channel 37
Daily Schedule
7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly
7:30 AM Tri-County Symphonic Orchestra Annual Children's Concert
9:00 AM Old Hammondtown School Graduation '21
10:00 AM Sippican School Graduation '21
11:30 AM Elementary Schools Winter Events
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly
12:30 PM ORRHS Field Hockey vs. Somerset Berkley
2:00 PM ORR Boys Basketball vs Wareham
3:00 PM ORR Volleyball Championship vs Dennis Yarmouth
4:30 PM Unified Basketball vs Dighton-Rehoboth
5:30 PM ORR Hall of Fame with Buddy Thomas
6:30 PM ORRHS Ice Hockey vs Dartmouth
9:30 PM ORRHS Boys Lacrosse vs Apponequet
11:00 PM ORRHS Field Hockey vs Seekonk

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SHERMAN'S LAGOON
by J.P. Toomey

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Letters to the Editor

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To the Editor,

Thank You for Sadie's Safe Return. Mike and I are still overwhelmed with the response we received from our community. We wish to thank everyone who volunteered hours to search the woods and surrounding areas, reporting sightings on your home security cameras, printing up flyers and passing them out around the town. We appreciate those who sent notes expressing hope and prayers for Sadie's safe return.

We wish to thank the State Police; Mattapoisett Police; volunteer Fire Departments, and Kathy Massey, Mattapoisett Animal Control Officer for overseeing a safe environment for her when needed. We also want to mention our neighbor, Curtis Mendes, for his quick action to notify the Mattapoisett Life Facebook page of Sadie's disappearance right away. He also communicated with Deb Newport from Missing Dogs MA daily, relaying any changes in Sadie's locations, do's and don'ts in how to approach or not to approach her etc. Deb came down every day to assess where the dog was on site cameras to discern where she moved. She had a sixth sense where to set up the crate traps and cameras, and on the ninth day of Sadie's travels, we got a call from Deb at 6am. Sadie appeared on camera in the crate at Dunseith Gardens. Sadie was home at 6:30 am and taking a nap. Missingdogsmass.com is a volunteer, non- profit organization and as far as we are concerned, performs miracles.

Mattapoisett is not only special, but we believe awesome!

Sincerely,
Kathy McAuliffe & Mike Corrigan

Academic Achievements

Landon Goguen of Mattapoisett has been named to Southern New Hampshire University's Fall 2021 Dean's List.

It is with great pleasure that Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) congratulates **Brittany Lojko** of Marion, **Jodi Richards-Auld** of Marion, and **Luke Mullen** of Mattapoisett
on being named to the Fall 2021 President's List.

A total of 1,375 students were named to College of the Holy Cross' Dean's List for outstanding academic achievement during the fall semester of the 2021-22 academic year. The following students made the list:
-**Collin Fitzpatrick** of Marion , member of the Class of 2022, majoring in Economics
-**Anne Le Gassick** of Mattapoisett, member of the Class of 2024, majoring in Undeclared
-**Danielle Nutter** of Mattapoisett, member of the Class of 2024, majoring in History

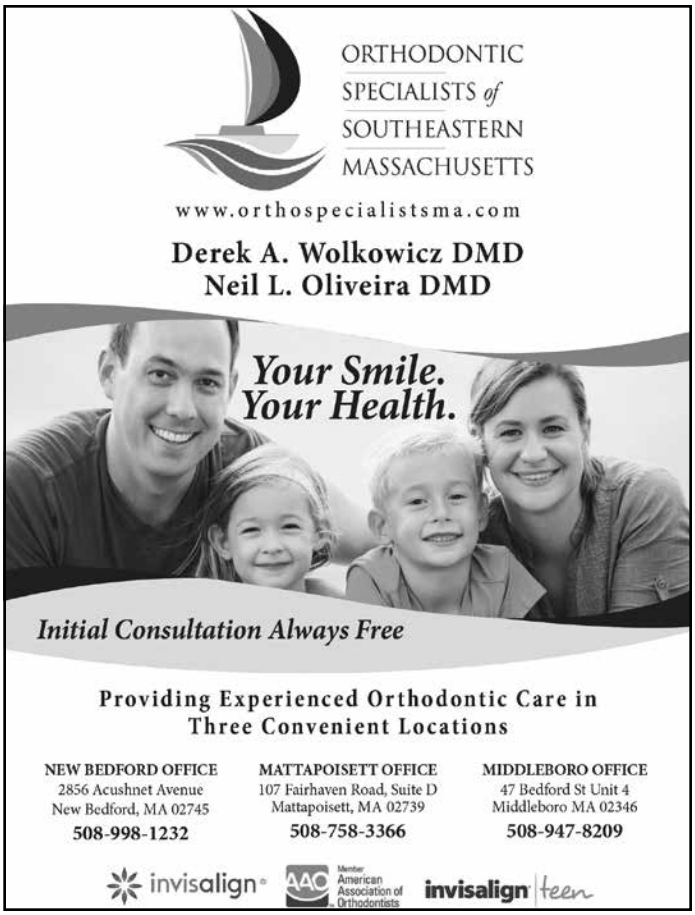
Elizabeth Tarrant of Marion recently graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Studio Art from the College of Charleston.

Nicholas Barber, a native of Rochester, was recently initiated into the Merrimack College Circle of Omicron Delta Kappa, the National Leadership Honor Society.

Upcoming programs at the Marion Natural History Museum

Marion Natural History Museum's Winter 2022 Afterschool and Adult Community Programs are available online at www.marionmuseum.org.

Our first afterschool program is The Great Backyard Bird Count on **February 16**. Join us as we learn from Justin Barrett how to participate in the bird count. We will learn how to identify birds and how to record your findings online. Be a citizen scientist while having fun in your own backyard or local park.



Movie Review

Too Many Cooks

By Rob Gonsalves
www.robsmovievault.com

***The French Dispatch.* Starring Bill Murray and Frances McDormand. Directed by Wes Anderson. Running time: 108 minutes. MPAA rating: R. Now available on physical and streaming home media.**

Wes Anderson's *The French Dispatch* is that rarity, a disappointment that I feel I need to see again. By now, we all know how polarizing Anderson's dollhouse movies tend to be. They're immaculately designed, obsessively symmetrical; they're boxes within boxes, each packed in a ruthlessly tidy fashion. But generally the stories have a strong throughline, a sturdy narrative arrow with some emotional resonance. *The French Dispatch* feels like it came out of the bottom drawer of Anderson's desk. It's a trio of tales, bracketed by front and end matter; it's about journalists writing about artists, or at least about people who express themselves in some way — through painting, manifesto, food.

One of the segments, the one about the manifesto, I couldn't tell you much about. You see what I mean when I want to watch it again. *The French Dispatch* is about a titular newspaper — the film's full title is *The French Dispatch of the Liberty, Kansas Evening Sun* — that reports on happenings in the French town of Ennui-sur-Blasé for the enjoyment, I guess, of the millions of Francophiles in Kansas. The newspaper is inspired by *The New Yorker,* particularly the magazine's self-regard as The Magazine. All the best writers write for the French Dispatch, and the paper's editor (Bill Murray) keeps trying to whittle their pieces into shape. The writers all love and tolerate him. He dies early on — like so much else here, we're not asked to feel one way or the other about it — and what we see is the contents of the final issue of the paper.

But none of it really took hold and commanded my attention. The first story involves an artist (Benicio del Toro) who is also serving a life sentence for murder. The second follows *Dispatch* reporter Frances McDormand as she gets caught up in a student protest and its players. The last has to do with the kidnapping of a little boy and a police officer who's also a chef — most of the characters have different facets to them. Technically, the filmmaking is gorgeous, with alternating black-and-white or color photography by Robert Yeoman in two different aspect ratios. It's all very cleverly worked out. The problem is a pit that Anderson has been edging towards for a few movies now, and in *The French Dispatch* he sinks right into it — there are just too damn many characters.

At this point, being in a Wes Anderson movie must be a terrific feather in an actor's cap, and a lot of them come work with him over and over. But nothing in this movie will show you why. The teeming mass of actors here rarely get a moment to give us a reason to care about them; people like Edward Norton and Elisabeth Moss and Christoph Waltz and Willem Dafoe pass through, hardly even getting any lines. (The bulk of the movie is narrated by the stories' writers anyway, further limiting the characters' opportunity to speak for themselves.) Anderson veteran Saoirse Ronan turns up as a character credited only as "Junkie/Showgirl #1." The impression you get is that Wes Anderson has joined the elite cadre of directors who can compel a four-time Oscar nominee to play Junkie/Showgirl #1. Well, good for him. Not so good for us, or for Saoirse Ronan.

And yet … I have thoroughly enjoyed each of Anderson's prior films, so I'm willing to give *The French Dispatch* the benefit of the doubt; a second viewing, knowing what it is going into it, may not be amiss. Maybe it doesn't matter that the movie doesn't drill down and tell one particular person's story. Maybe the movie is about storytelling *itself*, about who tells stories and who hears or reads them. The main character is the *Dispatch.* The style of the film is the style of the writers. The writers are self-centered to a degree that they make the stories about them — they think they have to make the stories worthy of being told by them. Running through the film is a sneaky little critique of the whole *New Yorker* magazine-of-record aesthetic and ethos. Like all of Anderson's films, it's both nostalgic and timeless. It didn't stick to me — this time — but I wouldn't dream of discouraging anyone, especially Anderson followers, from seeing it. Just know what you're in for.

Our first adult/community program is the "Butterfly guy" on **March 9**. Joe Dwelly .a Yarmouth resident, will be visiting the Marion Natural History Museum to share what he knows about our local species. Mr. Dwelly will give advice about where they can be found and how community members can attract them to their own backyards.

Check out these as well as the many other available programs. Preregistration is required and spaces are limited due to Covid. Masks will be required for all programs.

Marion Booster Clinic

The Marion Board of Health with the help of Marion EMS will be hosting a Moderna COVID-19 Booster Clinic for those who received two doses of Moderna vaccine at least six months ago, two doses of Pfizer vaccine at least five months ago, and one dose of J&J vaccine least two months ago. You do not need to be a Marion resident to attend.

The clinic will be held on Friday, **January 21** at the Benjamin D. Cushing Community Center (Council on Aging,) 465 Mill Street (Rt. 6,) Marion, from 10 am to 11 am. The clinic will be indoors. Please bring your vaccination card and wear a short-sleeve shirt. There are a limited number of doses available. You will need to preregister if you would like to attend. Use the link provided below to register for the clinic or online at marionma.gov on the Board of Health page. You will need your insurance card and the date of your last vaccine to register.

Link: home.color.com/vaccine/register/marion?calendar=90d79558-f977-46cb-9e84-9c498ca3bd06

If you have any questions or need assistance with registration, contact Maureen at the Board of Health at 508-748-3530.

ORR Debate Team

The Old Rochester Regional High School debate team is halfway through their debate season. The team has been facing other schools on the Southcoast of Massachusetts via ZOOM. This year's topic centers around answering the question, "Should the United States Federal Government substantially increase its protection of water resources?" Students take sides on the topic, often choosing a side that may not be their own personal opinion.

Senior debate partners Mackenzie Wilson and Edward Gonet IV are on the "affirmative" team, arguing that the U.S. should increase its protection of water resources. The pair, currently undefeated, center their argument around the protection of water on Native American lands and how the infrastructure is in need of significant repair.

Senior debate partners Maxwell Vivino and

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Samuel Harris are on the "negative" team and have to refute all of the affirmative arguments. Common claims that negatives have to make this year are that the proposals are too expensive or that the government would be better spending their money on different water projects.

No matter what side, the students all enjoy the debate team. Sophomore Jaymison Gunschel explains, "Besides helping with obvious public speaking and argument skills, debate really helps foster and grow critical thinking and problem-solving skills outside of the competition itself. "Furthermore," senior Mackenzie Wilson states, "I was so excited to finally take on my senior year of debate! So far, my partner and I are undefeated in the southeast Massachusetts debate league and are hoping for a straight shot into the finals. We've worked so hard throughout these past four years and for it finally to pay off during our senior year would be an amazing accomplishment!" We wish the team the best of luck in their final half of the year.

From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society

By Connie Eshbach

As I mentioned in an earlier article, until the building of the causeway, the long distance to Rochester Center from North Rochester meant that North Rochester developed its own community which included factories. One of these was a hat factory which opened in the early 1800's when the production of fir and felt hats became a profitable venture. For centuries, women have worn both hair coverings and hats. Fashion and custom dictated that

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female heads should be covered and until recent decades, hats were often as important to their wearer as the coat or dress that they matched. A well- dressed man would often be seen sporting a fedora.

A two-story building was erected in North Rochester during this time period to serve as a hat factory. It was on the east side of Snipatuit Brook near the site of the North Rochester School which was on North Avenue across from the Bennett Farm. At some point, the factory was moved opposite the Coombs Tavern at the intersection of Snipatuit and North Avenue. At that time, Captain Asa Coombs ran the business.

Mr. Waldron, who as a boy lived across from the factory corner, said that the huge copper boiler, the hat blocks, pressing irons and other implements of the trade were a wonder to behold. Watching the hats and the plaster molds on which the hats were stretched and formed fascinated him.

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Tri-town Police Logs

MARION
Log highlights Jan 9-Jan 15
- Walnut Plain Rd – MV stop/citation
- Cushman Rd - Medical
- Marys Pond Rd – Suspicious activity
- Snipatuit Rd – MV collision
- Ryder Rd – Suspicious activity
- Marys Pond Rd – MV stop/citation
- Braley Hill Rd - Medical
- Marion Rd - Medical
- Dexter Ln - Harassment
- Union Church Ter – Firearms licensing
- High St – MV collision
- Snipatuit Rd – Animal control
- Rounseville Rd – Animal control
- Marion Rd – MV collision
- Cranberry Hwy – Road hazard
- Bassett St – MV lockout
- Dexter Ln – Animal control
- Marys Pond Rd – Suspicious activity
- Cranberry Hwy – Suspicious activity
- Hartley Rd - Medical
- New Bedford Rd - Medical
- Marion Rd – Erratic MV
- Sarah Sherman Rd – 911 call
- Marys Pond Rd – MV stop/citation
- Cranberry Hwy – 911 call
- High St - Medical
- Walnut Plain Rd – Suspicious activity
- High St - Medical
- Hartley Rd – Suspicious activity

MATTAPOISETT
Log highlights Jan 9-Jan 15
- Tower Rd – Domestic disturbance
- Fairhaven Rd – Assist other agency
- County Rd - Threats
- Shipyard Ln – Gunshots reported
- Upland Way – Domestic disturbance
- Fairhaven Rd – MV lockout
- Fairhaven Rd – General service
- Upland Way – Restraining order
- Marion Rd – MV violations
- North St – Animal control
- Fairhaven Rd – MV violations
- Fairhaven Rd – Ambulance request
- Wildwood Ter – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- County Rd – MV violations
- Fairhaven Rd – Suspicious MV
- TInkham Hill Rd – General service
- County Rd – Animal control
- North St – MV violations
- Mechanic St – Health/welfare
- Bay View MS Ave – Animal control
- Neds Point Rd – MV violations
- County Rd – 911 abandoned
- Crystal Spring Rd – MV violations
- Barstow St – 911 call
- Bay Club Dr – MV crash
- North St – Assist citizen
- County Rd – Health/welfare
- Main St – MV violations
- North St – MV violations

ROCHESTER
Log highlights Jan 9-Jan 15
- Front St – Officer wanted
- County Rd – Found property
- Wareham Rd – Road hazard
- Ryders Ln – EMS/medical
- Front St – A&B
- Front St – A&B/in progress
- Wareham Rd – Road hazard
- Main St – EMS/medical
- Wareham Rd – Paper service
- Front St – Health/welfare
- Spring St – EMS/medical
- County Rd – Suspicious MV
- Wareham Rd – Suspicious MV
- Joanne Dr – EMS/medical
- Spring St – EMS/medical
- Front St – Animal complaint
- Wareham Rd – Suspicious activity
- Point Rd – Suspicious person
- Olde Knoll Rd – EMS/medical
- Gifford's Corner Rd – Health/welfare
- Mill St – General service
- Cove Cir – Health/welfare
- Stoney Run Ln – General offense
- Wareham Rd – Animal complaint
- Village Dr - Disturbance
- Mill St – Officer wanted
- Front St – EMS/medical
- County Rd – Health/welfare
- Card Dr – EMS/medical

For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.

Regional Lunch Menus

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM
Monday, Jan 24: Mac n' cheese, escalloped tomatoes, dinner roll, fresh orange
Tuesday, Jan25: Grilled chicken w/Greek sauce, orzo & rice pilaf, green beans & red peppers, whole wheat bread, peaches
Wednesday, Jan 26: American chop suey, trio blend vegetable, onion roll, strawberry cheesecake, diet: low sugar cake
Thursday, Jan 27: Turkey a la king, garlic mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, oatmeal bread, pears
Friday, Jan 28: Fish nuggets, tartar sauce, potato wedges, beans bonanza, multigrain bread, pineapple

CENTER SCHOOL
Monday, Jan 24: Cheesy filled bread sticks, homemade chicken soup, crunchy cucumber coins
Tuesday, Jan25: Homemade turkey pot pie, creamy mashed potatoes, whole grain biscuit
Wednesday, Jan 26: Pancakes, maple syrup, hashbrown patty, cheese stick, chilled mixed fruit
Thursday, Jan 27: American chop suey, warm breadstick, steamed broccoli
Friday, Jan 28: Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, chilled mixed fruit

OLD HAMMONDTOWN
Monday, Jan 24: Cheesy filled bread sticks, homemade chicken soup, crunchy cucumber coins
Tuesday, Jan25: Homemade turkey pot pie, creamy mashed potatoes, whole grain biscuit
Wednesday, Jan 26: Pancakes, maple syrup, hashbrown patty, cheese stick, chilled mixed fruit
Thursday, Jan 27: American chop suey, warm breadstick, steamed broccoli
Friday, Jan 28: Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, chilled mixed fruit

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH
Monday, Jan 24: Cheesy filled bread sticks, homemade chicken soup, crunchy cucumber coins
Tuesday, Jan25: Homemade turkey pot pie, creamy mashed potatoes, whole grain biscuit
Wednesday, Jan 26: Pancakes, maple syrup, hashbrown patty, cheese stick, chilled mixed fruit
Thursday, Jan 27: American chop suey, warm breadstick, steamed broccoli
Friday, Jan 28: Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, chilled mixed fruit

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL
Monday, Jan 24: Cheesy filled bread sticks, homemade chicken soup, crunchy cucumber coins
Tuesday, Jan25: Homemade turkey pot pie, creamy mashed potatoes, whole grain biscuit
Wednesday, Jan 26: Pancakes, maple syrup, hashbrown patty, cheese stick, chilled mixed fruit
Thursday, Jan 27: American chop suey, warm breadstick, steamed broccoli
Friday, Jan 28: Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, chilled mixed fruit

SIPPICAN SCHOOL
Monday, Jan 24: Cheesy filled bread sticks, homemade chicken soup, crunchy cucumber coins
Tuesday, Jan25: Homemade turkey pot pie, creamy mashed potatoes, whole grain biscuit
Wednesday, Jan 26: Pancakes, maple syrup, hashbrown patty, cheese stick, chilled mixed fruit
Thursday, Jan 27: American chop suey, warm breadstick, steamed broccoli
Friday, Jan 28: Cheese pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing, chilled mixed fruit

OLD COLONY REGIONAL
Monday, Jan 24: General Tso's chicken bowl & dinner roll
Tuesday, Jan25: Mozzarella sticks, fries, marinara sauce & bread
Wednesday, Jan 26: Homemade chicken quesadilla, salsa, sour cream & corn & bean salad
Thursday, Jan 27: Meatball sub, green beans & fries
Friday, Jan 28: Assorted pizza

It was in this factory that Joseph Purrington, Fred Gerrish's uncle learned the trade. He then set himself up in business near the residence of George Gerrish on North Avenue across from the cemetery. His business continued until 1818. At the Museum, we have many hat forms like the ones pictured here.

Rochester Senior Center Information

As a precaution, the Rochester Senior Center, like some other senior centers in the area, will be closed until at least Tuesday, February 1. (The COA Board will be meeting again on January 26 to decide what their plan is for February.) We apologize for the inconvenience but thank everyone for their patience at this time. We will continue to do our best to navigate through the pandemic with an eye toward keeping people healthy.

Mattapoisett Lions Club Scholarships

The Mattapoisett Lions Club, a member of Lions International, the world's largest service club organization consisting of 45,000 clubs and more than 1.3 million members worldwide, is pleased to announce the availability of two (2) - $2,500 scholarships to be awarded this year to a graduating high school senior or home-schooled student residing in Mattapoisett, Marion or Rochester.

The funds for the Peter Hodges Memorial Scholarship are raised through fundraisers held by the Mattapoisett Lions Club throughout the year, including Harbor Days, an annual Arts and Craft Festival held in Shipyard Park, Mattapoisett every 3rd weekend of July.

The Lion's Club motto is "WE SERVE," one of the largest charitable causes of Lion's International includes raising funds for EYE RESEARCH in an effort to end preventable blindness throughout the world, eradicating measles worldwide in partnership with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and here at home providing services for those in need in our communities.

To qualify, a graduating student or home-schooled student shall be accepted to and intending to attend their first year of a recognized institution of higher education, must be a resident of the Tri-Town area and have demonstrated service to the community.

To obtain an application, learn more about this Award or to learn how to become a member of the Lions Club, visit our website, www.mattapoisettlionsclub.org. Award applications are also available through the guidance department at your high school.

Applications must be received by **March 26**.

Saint Gabriel's Parish Adds a New Service

The addition of a worship service at a Parish can be an uncertain move, especially in the midst of a frustrating global pandemic. There are always questions about whether anyone will attend something new, and if a new service will be successful. While these questions may be in the back of my head, there is still a lot of life-giving excitement to be felt from the creation of something new. What I can say is that our new evening worship service "Rooted" has been a tremendous success. Since its start at the end of September, several new people have been attending our Parish, and this service has proved to be a quite moving and spiritually feeding experience for those who experience it.

If I were to describe what Rooted is I would describe it in this

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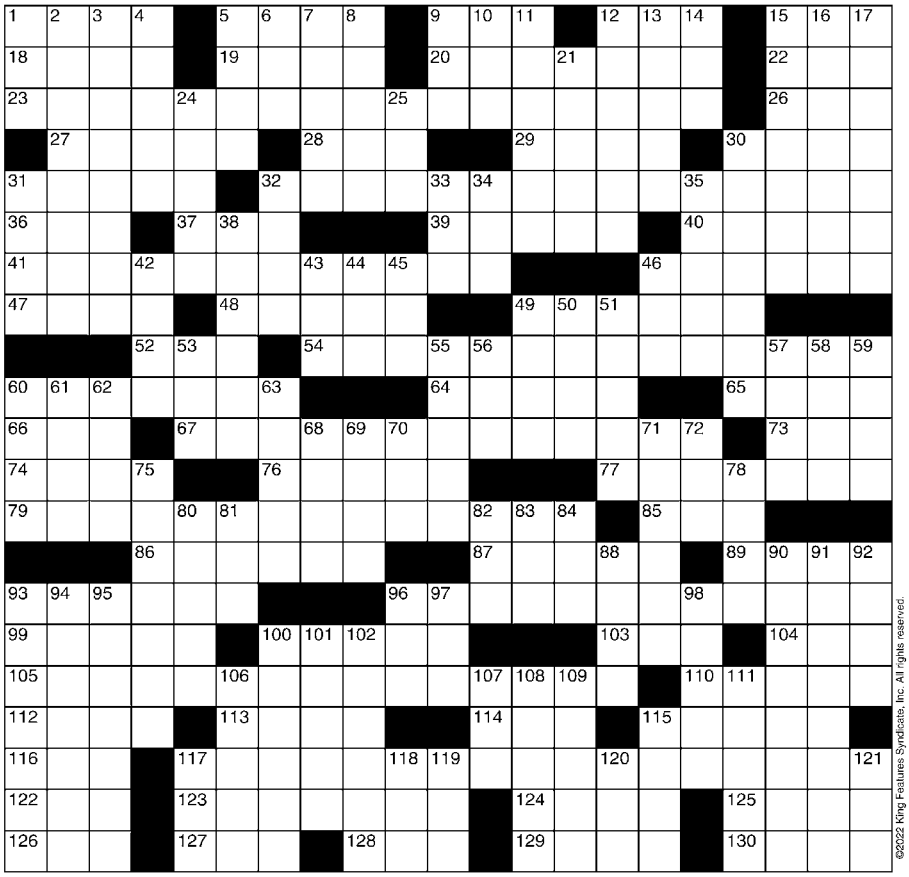
1 Cries noisily
5 Stuff in steel
9 Horse cousin
12 Often-smoked food
15 U.K. neighbor
18 "As above," in citations
19 Extremely deep sleep
20 Pavarotti of opera
22 U.S. neighbor
23 Make every effort to be obliging
26 Vivacity
27 Mosaic work
28 — -TURN (road sign)
29 — Mason (asset management firm)
30 BLT offerer
31 To any extent
32 Revolution of Triton with respect to Neptune
36 Author Anaïs
37 Twosome
39 Not tidy
40 Two-pip card
41 Pressing it moves a cursor to the previous character
46 Shorelines
47 Off the shore
48 Justice Sotomayor
49 Program using ".doc" files, for short
52 Mu — pork
54 Horace Greeley's advice for American expansion
60 Huge aid
64 In base eight
65 She's a star aria singer
66 Palme — (Cannes film award)
67 Bus driver's order
73 Ship like Capt. Nemo's
74 To — (exactly)
76 Marisa with an Oscar
77 Cadences
79 Irritate
85 Suffix with hell
86 More pasty
87 Horse opera
89 Arthur of tennis
93 Singers Idol and Ocean
96 Sticker message on a rented VCR tape
99 At full speed, old-style
100 A deadly sin
103 "Patience — virtue"
104 Pro vote
105 Do a 180, say
110 Rapper with the album "Press Play"
112 Old Italian stage actress Eleonora
113 1953 Leslie Caron film
114 "— always say ..."
115 Jeopardy
116 "— my fault"
117 Parent's mind game with a child (or what you have to use to solve this puzzle?)
122 Even score
123 Guys rowing
124 Smartphone downloads
125 Suffix with well
126 States, informally
127 Singular of "Mmes."
128 Beltway VIP
129 Watery castle protector
130 Once, in olden days

DOWN

1 Bro's kin
2 Strange things
3 Former Fed head Ben
4 Little
5 "Ugh"-worthy
6 Bird of myth
7 Muscat resident
8 Honcho
9 Lager cousin
10 Nissan Rogue, e.g.
11 Bawls out
12 Irritable from being ravenous, slangily
13 Lay — (really fail)
14 Wild crowd
15 Stimulus
16 Vote in for a another term
17 Lapses
21 Notions
24 Ralph — Emerson
25 1921 Karel Capek play
30 Feared a lot
31 Author Seton
32 Bull in a ring
33 Cockney's residence
34 Often-smoked food
35 Stenches
38 Actress Andress
42 Do laundry
43 Jillian of TV
44 Spanish aunt
45 Relatives, informally
46 Light bed
49 Mixed breed
50 Zest or Ivory
51 "Ben-Hur" director William
53 The woman
55 "Understood"
56 S.Sgt., e.g.
57 Yearn (for)
58 Female cell
59 Talks idly
60 Yrly. gift-giving time
61 Greek "I"
62 Heightened
63 — dish (bio lab item)
68 T. — Price
69 The "E" of EMT: Abbr.
70 Snide snicker
71 Sixths doubled
72 Method: Abbr.
75 "Liberté, —, fraternité" (France's motto)
78 Bangkok citizen
80 "Bye Bye Bye" band
81 Exclamations of surprise
82 "Sk8er —" (2002 hit)
83 Assembly line labor org.
84 Tpk., e.g.
88 Actor Idle
90 Parachute user
91 Unmindful
92 Online bidding site
93 Roving robbers
94 "Gotta go"
95 — faire
96 '50s prez
97 Not pos.
98 "Raider" Ralph
100 Previous convictions
101 Little brooks
102 Tough-to-translate phrases
106 Composer Edward
107 Opposite of 104-Across
108 Tea-growing Indian state
109 River giant, for short
111 Dunne of film
115 Covert "Hey!"
117 — Kippur War
118 Half of a bray
119 Wolf Blitzer's channel
120 Clean air gp.
121 Q-U linkup



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your batteries should be fully recharged by now, making you more than eager to get back into the swing of things full time. Try to stay focused so that you don't dissipate your energies.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You're eager to charge straight ahead into your new responsibilities. But you'll have to paw the ground a little longer, until a surprise complication is worked out.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Rival factions are pressuring you to take a stand favoring one side or the other. But this isn't the time to play judge. Bow out as gracefully as possible, without committing yourself to any position.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Reassure a longtime, trusted confidante that you appreciate his or her words of advice. But at this time, you need to act on what you perceive to be your own sense of self-interest.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You need to let your warm Leonine heart fire up that new relationship if you hope to see it move from the "just friends" level to one that will be as romantic as you could hope for.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) There's still time to repair a misunderstanding with an honest explanation and a heartfelt apology. The sooner you do, the sooner you can get on with other matters.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Expect a temporary setback as you progress toward your goal. Use this time to re-examine your plans and see where you might need to make some significant changes.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Some missteps are revealed as the cause of current problems in a personal or professional partnership. Make the necessary adjustments and then move on.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Jupiter's influence helps you work through a pesky problem, allowing your naturally jovial attitude to re-emerge stronger than ever. Enjoy your success.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Set aside your usual reluctance to change, and consider reassessing your financial situation so that you can build on its strengths and minimize its weaknesses.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Some recently acquired information helps open up a dark part of the past. Resolve to put what you've learned to good use. Travel plans continue to be favored.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Act on your own keen instincts. Your strong Piscean backbone will support you as someone attempts to pressure you into a decision you're not ready to make.

BORN THIS WEEK: You embody a love for traditional values combined with an appreciation of what's new and challenging.

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A simple 40-minute midweek evening prayer service of silence, candlelight, reflection, contemplation and art. Rooted draws from both ancient prayers & scripture as well as modern poetry to help root and reroot people in the presence of God always around them.

It is important for some to be able to worship and fellowship after a busy workday during the week, and I know that Rooted is filling in this gap for people. Rooted is also a very "low stakes" sort of worship experience. People don't need to know anything about the Episcopal Church, liturgy or even God to be able to participate fully in this worship style. As a result of this, Rooted is a highly innovative and invitational type of prayer service. Through its prayers, the physical space and its pacing, Rooted is structured to honor where any one person is on their spiritual walk.

Rooted takes place every Wednesday evening at 6:00pm in the main church at Saint Gabriel's located at 124 Front Street in Marion. Saint Gabriel's is an open and affirming parish and proudly welcomes all within the LGBTQ+ community and beyond. Anyone is welcome to attend our church just as they are.

Mattapoisett Library Programming for January

New events and programs have been added to the Mattapoisett Free Public Library calendar. Check out all the fun things that are happening at the library.

The Mattapoisett Free Public Library is participating in Food for Fines for the month of January. Support at risk community members and clear up your old fines by donating food to the Mattapoisett Public Health Nurse's Food Pantry. You can do this by bringing one non-perishable item per fine or overdue item to the circulation desk at the library. It doesn't matter which library owns the materials and items cannot be left in the book drops. Any lost items or items returned with damage will be billed according to the respective library's policy. Call the library with any questions.

On Saturday, **January 22** at 11am, stop by the library for our program Curious about... Vegan Cheese—a Food Tasting to sample a variety of vegan cheeses. Due to the increasing impacts of the dairy industry on the environment, it is becoming more sustainable to seek out vegan alternatives for our favorite foods. Take part in the fun, vote on your favorites, and learn a bit about vegan alternatives. This is the first in a series of programs about more sustainable food alternatives.

The Mattapoisett library is excited to announce the return of the Quahog Book Awards. This program is for readers in 3rd through 6th grade. Registration is now open. This winter reading event runs from January 25 until May 1 and ends once all of the votes have been counted. The Quahog Award Winner will be declared at our celebratory pizza party in May. Young readers are encouraged to sign up, select their books from one of four groups, and read, read, read. Stop by the library to

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TOWN OF ROCHESTER
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1171

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Bendrix Bailey for property located at 0 Gerrish Road, identified on Assessor's Map 43A, Lot 29B, who is seeking a Variance to the frontage requirement of 225 feet to allow the lot to be designated as a single home residential lot under Chapter 20.40, Section D.1. Lot Dimensions.

The public hearing will be held on Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 7:00 pm as both a hybrid meeting at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way in Rochester, MA and on Zoom.
To join the Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84584296551
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David Arancio, Chairman 1/13, 1/20

TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)
FORMER ROGERS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

The Town of Fairhaven solicits proposals for the sale and development of the former Rogers Elementary School that sits on a 71,751 SF site improved with approximately 46,721 SF of space in the former educational facility. The property is located at 100 Pleasant Street (Map 8 Lot 9). The Town seeks to designate a developer subject to the Terms and Conditions contained in its Request for Proposal (RFP). The RFP will be available at the Fairhaven Town Hall, Board of Selectmen's Office, at 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA, M-F from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Email: Vloliveira@fairhaven-ma.gov.

Proposal submission due March 11, 2022 by 12:00 noon, Office of the Town Administrator, Fairhaven, MA 02719. The Town reserves the right to reject or accept any and all proposals or to accept that proposal which is deemed in the best interest of the Town of Fairhaven, MA. 1/20

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
BOARD OF HEALTH
PUBLIC NOTICE

The Rochester Board of Health, acting under the authority of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 111, Section 31 unanimously approved the following changes to its Rules and Regulations at a public hearing held on January 5, 2022:

Section 15.211 Minimum Setback Distances Wetland Setback Regulation

The minimum setback to wetlands, bordering vegetative wetlands, and Waterways shall be 50 feet from the soil absorption system. Any distance measuring 50 to 100 feet from a wetland, watercourse, or bordering vegetative wetland requires a variance from the Board of Health. That septic System design shall have an alternative system design able to treat water for Nitrates and Phosphorus. Filling or replicating wetlands in order to attain minimal required setback is prohibited. Amended 1/12/2022..1/20

TOWN OF MARION
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CASE #798

The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold an online public hearing at 6:30 pm on Thursday, February 10, 2022 on the application of Terence & Kym Lee for a Special Permit under section 230-6.1(c) of the zoning by-law to allow the construction of an addition to the existing non-conforming residence.

The property, located at 43 Holmes Street, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 16 as Lot 131C.
Cynthia Callow, Chairperson
**Please contact Anne Marie Tobia at 508-748-3516 or atobia@marionma.gov for the Zoom link and for information on public participation via phone call. The phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV and participants can call in any questions or comments. 1/20, 1/27

TOWN OF MARION
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CASE #801

The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold an online public hearing at 6:35 pm on Thursday, February 10, 2022 on the application of MRF Nominee Trust, c/o Patrick Fischoeder and Allison M. O'Neil; for a Special Permit under sections230-6.1A 230-6.1C of the zoning by-law to allow the construction of a single family dwelling to replace two existing non-conforming single family dwellings, which will decrease the current non-conformity but increase the building area and volume as allowed under section 230-7.1, 230-7.2 and 230-7.3an addition to the existing non-conforming residence.

The property, located at 498B Point Road, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 2 as Lot 11E.
Cynthia Callow, Chairperson
**Please contact Anne Marie Tobia at 508-748-3516 or atobia@marionma.gov for the Zoom link and for information on public participation via phone call. The phone number will be provided upon request. The meeting will be live streamed on ORCTV and participants can call in any questions or comments. 1/20, 1/27

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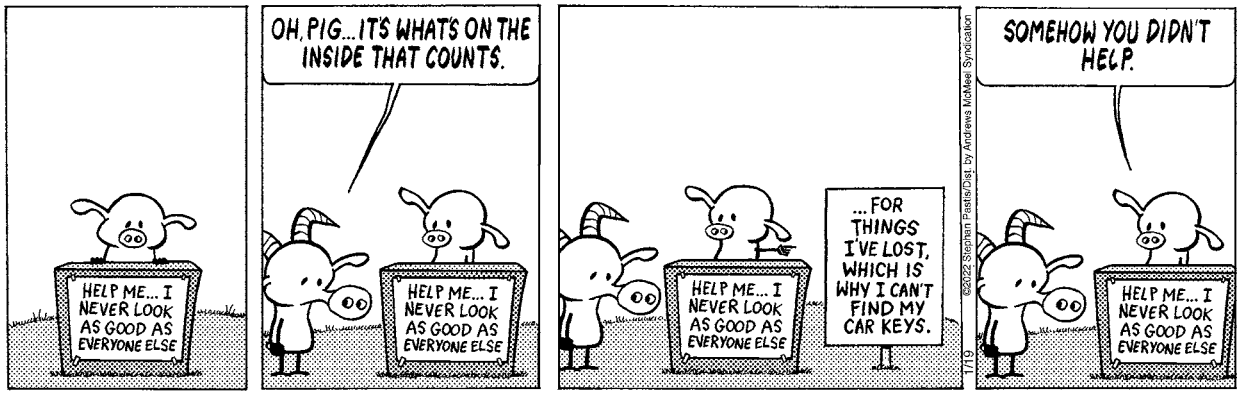

register. Visit the library's website for more information. May the best book win.

Adults and teens, looking for a way to jumpstart your 2022 reading challenge or to stay cozy through the cold, early months of the year? Participate in our Winter Reading Program. The program runs through March 26. Patrons are welcome to participate on Beanstack or in paper form. Contact Michelle Skaar at mskaar@sailsinc.org with any questions.

Mattapoisett Museum

January 21, 6pm - Southcoast Lessons presents Open Mic Night - The mic is yours! All ages and all genres welcome - sing a song, play an instrument, read your favorite poem, tell a story and enjoy what your community has to offer. Free

January 23, 1:00pm - Southcoast Lessons presents Old Time Fiddle Session - Join us for a gathering of traditional string band musicians and music lovers. Bring an instrument if you play, a seat if you've got one you love, and yourself whether you play and own seating or not! Free

February 4 , 6:00pm - Southcoast Lessons presents New Sounds of Silents: silent films set to live music -Join us at Mattapoisett Museum for the continuation of Southcoast Lessons' silent films set to live music series! Come on out for comedy, documentary, and early special effects movies set to both improvised and newly composed pieces brought to you by Southcoast Lessons staff, students and guests. Free. Space is limited, registration encouraged, doors open at 6. Free

Learn to Macrame - Tickets are now on sale for the museum's macramé class with Grow Away Girl on **February 5**, at 4:30pm. Space is limited to 10 people. $15 includes all supplies to make a Valentine's Day wall hanger. Visit www.mattapoisettmuseum.org/events to purchase tickets.

Contact Mattapoisett Museum at info@mattapoisettmuseum.org or Jeff Angeley at southcoastlessons@gmail.com for more information.

Marion Scholarships

Through the generosity of Marion residents, the Marion Scholarship and Education Committee is offering scholarships to high school students who will graduate in June 2022. Applicants must live in Marion, be in good academic standing and accepted at a recognized college for the fall of 2022.

Application requirements, deadline information, and application forms can be obtained through the college counseling office at your high school. In addition, forms will be available in the Marion Town Offices.

Anyone who would like to contribute to these and future scholarships can send your donation, in any amount, to The Marion Scholarship and Education Committee, Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738. Thank you for your help.

Mattapoisett Woman's Club Offers Scholarships

Mattapoisett Woman's Club is pleased to offer (2) $2,000.00 scholarship awards to Mattapoisett residents who are high school seniors, graduating in June 2022.

In addition, there will be a $1,000.00 scholarship granted to a Mattapoisett resident who is reentering the academic world after graduation and is in pursuit of a post secondary degree. Please go to the website (listed below) for further information and/or to obtain the application for this scholarship.

The Mattapoisett Woman's Club is a philanthropic organization with a history of awarding scholarships. The first scholarship award for $5 was presented to a student at Center School in 1943. Five years later in 1948, the amount was increased to $100. To date, more than $100,000 in scholarships has been presented to local students. MWC plans and executes fund- raising events to help generate the revenue for these scholarships and other charitable donations. In offering these scholarships, the club supports educational leadership and the community through its fund-raising efforts.

For High School seniors the scholarship application will be available in the guidance offices of Old Rochester Regional High School, Bishop Stang High School, Old Colony Vocational Technical High School, Tabor Academy, Bristol County Agricultural and online info@mattapoisettwomansclub.org for those not attending the above schools.

Final deadline for returning completed applications is March 31, 2022. No one will be considered after this date.

If you have any further questions, you may contact the Mattapoisett Woman's Club at P.O. Box 1444, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

Bikes for All

Supply chain and completing the bike path delays haven't stopped the volunteers of "Bikes for All" from collecting and repairing the generous contributions of more than 100 bicycles of all sizes. Over fifty children

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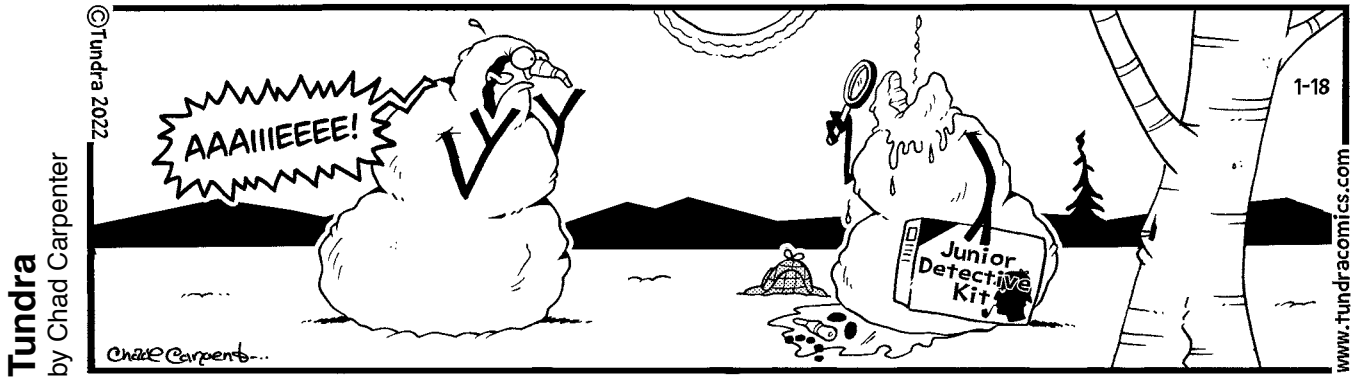
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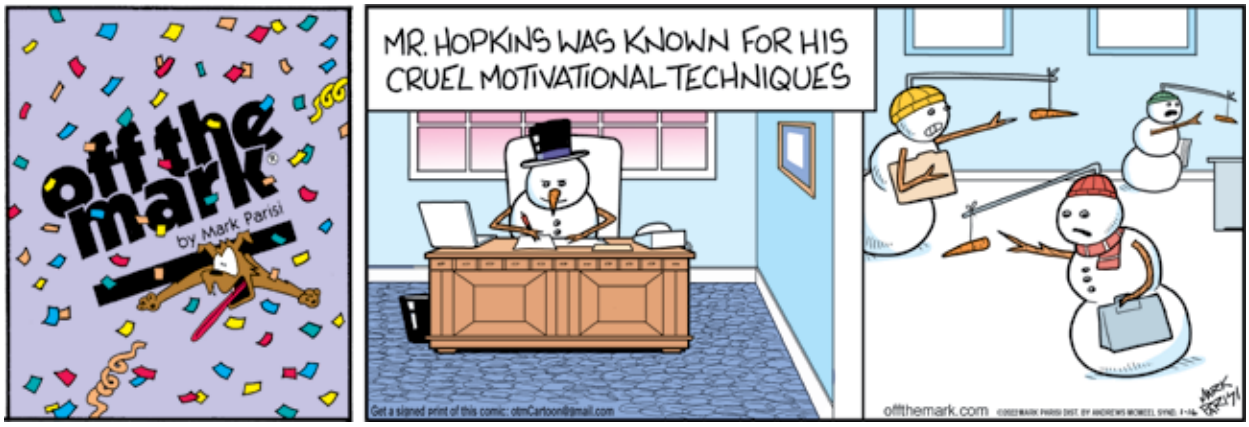
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Thanks to the continued efforts of our super repair team, we have a limited selection of bikes still to distribute. These include: 2 small Girls' bikes, 2 Boys' bikes, 1 Youth/Adult bike, 1 Adult cruiser bike, and 2 Adult Male bikes

Although our repair team is still working on additional bicycles that will be available in the late Spring, we hope you will keep us in mind if you're thinking about replacing your bike or your children have outgrown their bikes. We know from one of our families who having been enjoying their recycled bikes that biking is making a positive difference in their lives.

The Vieira family expressed their appreciation for what we are all doing as a community. Twelve-year-old Brianna told us that "it feels good because I could finally go out and

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3. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first president whose likeness appeared on a U.S. coin?
4. TELEVISION: What is the family's last name in the "Family Ties" sitcom?
5. LANGUAGE: What does the Latin phrase "lupus in fabula" mean?
6. GEOGRAPHY: What did the city of Mumbai, India, used to be called?
7. MOVIES: Which movie features a character called Rooster Cogburn?
8. LITERATURE: Which 20th-century novel features a type of language called "newspeak"?
9. SCIENCE: What temperature is the same on the Celsius and Fahrenheit scales?
10. FOOD & DRINK: Where was Coca-Cola first sold?

Answers
1. "Carrie"
2. Burger King
3. Abraham Lincoln
4. Keaton
5. The wolf in the story
6. Bombay
7. "True Grit"
8. "Nineteen Eighty-Four," by George Orwell
9. -40 degrees C and and -40 degrees F
10. Atlanta

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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Katherine Foster	January 20
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Julie Hillier	January 21
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Rachel Zirnfus	January 22
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Adam Silva	January 23
Ethan Petrinec	January 23
Ilona Langhoff	January 24
Peggy-Linn C. Schuler	January 24
Zachary Pateakos	January 24
Hayden Perry	January 25
Colleen Somers	January 26
Emmett Mcquade	January 26
Maera Ketchel	January 26

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
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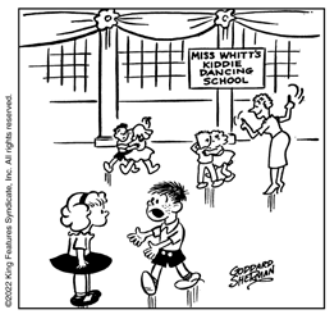

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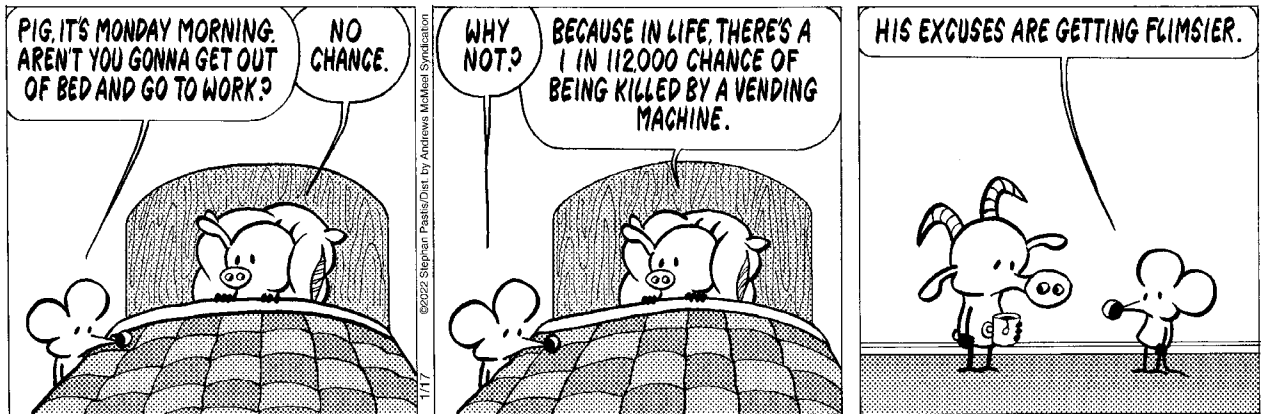

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•Catalogue the Sippican Historical Society's archives and complete the town's architectural survey.

•Restore the Marion Town House.

•Purchase and install inclusive playground equipment at the Sippican School.

•Purchase cast aluminum grave markers to be placed on veterans' graves at town cemeteries.

Art History Programs

The Mattapoisett Council on Aging will be hosting an engaging, educational, art observation experience designed to broaden the minds of its participants, artists and nonartists alike. Visit artforyourmind.com for more information.

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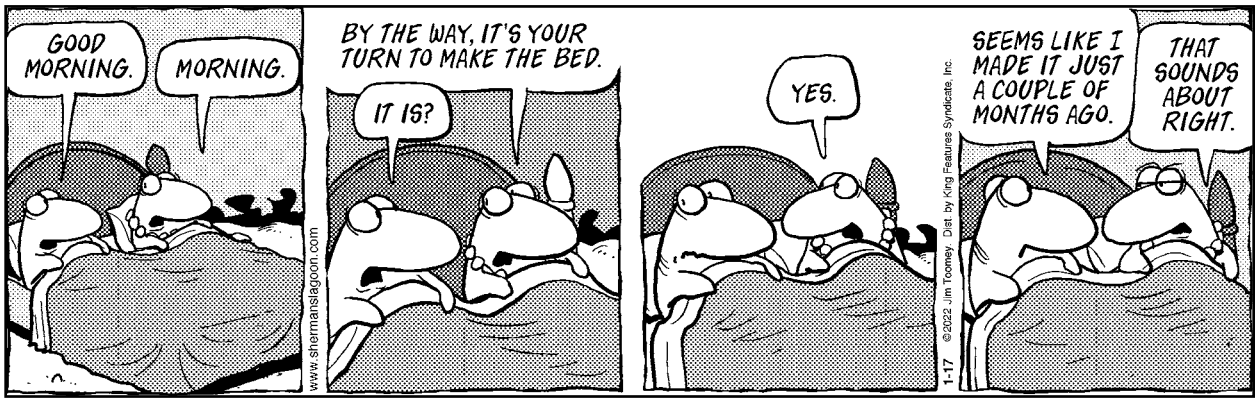

paintings by self-taught artists. Learn how to recognize their unique style in the context of this transitional time period in America's history. Local art historian Jill Sanford leads this experience of engaging, educational art observation. This free program will be in person at the Mattapoisett COA, 17 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett. To register, call 508-758-4110.

On Wednesday, **February 2** from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm, the featured topic will be Early American Art - Revolutionary Image, an opportunity to observe famous people, places and events of the Revolutionary War through the eyes of those who experienced it. From the Boston Massacre to the surrender at Yorktown—interpret images of America's turbulent start and increase your awareness of the many ways art can tell a story. Join local art historian Jill Sanford for an enjoyable hour of challenging yourself to see art in new ways. To register for this free in-person class, contact the Mattapoisett COA, 17 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett at 508-758-4110.

MA Preservation Projects Fund Grant Cycle Announced

The Marion Historical Commission would like to share information with the Tri-Town communities about the next round of state Preservation Grants.

The Massachusetts Historical Commission has just announced Round 28 of the Massachusetts Preservation Projects Fund grant program (MPPF.)

The MPPF is a state-funded 50% reimbursable matching grant program established in 1984 to support the preservation of properties, landscapes and sites listed in the State Register of Historic Places. Applicants must be a municipality or nonprofit organization.

Properties are listed in the State Register of Historic Places if they meet one of three criteria:
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- Included in the Inventory of Historic Assets of the local community

Determination of a property's eligibility can be obtained by accessing the MHC MACRIS online website: mhc-macris.net or by contacting the local historical commission in your town. (Please note that grant disbursement is subject to reauthorization of the capital accounts and the availability of sufficient allocated funds.) MPPF Round 28 application submission deadline is March 18. MPPF Round 28 scheduled grant award date is June 8.

More information and the application materials and video can be found at: www.sec.state.ma.us/mhc/mhcmppf/mppfidx.htm.

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Ward, James E Ward, Deborah J	Farland Estates Iii LLC	17 Nantucket Dr	Mattapoisett	01/04/2022	563,500.00
Dcgj Real Estate LLC	Smd Development LLC	4 Hartley Rd	Rochester	12/29/2021	875,000.00
Gallagher, James Gallagher, Julie	Torwin Development LLC	0 Shagbark Cir Lot 87a	Mattapoisett	12/29/2021	250,000.00
Flynn, Matthew	Huntoon, Gregory H Goldberg, Susan M	3 Jane Ln	Mattapoisett	12/29/2021	410,000.00
Ricciardi, John Ricciardi, Alison E	Higgins-reuter, Denise	9 Green St	Marion	12/30/2021	430,000.00
Howland, Wendy L Howland, Charles G Choate, Kate Howland	Louis, Michael J Louis, Steven D Louis, Phyllis M	497 Delano Rd	Marion	12/30/2021	465,000.00
Sullivan, Jennifer K	Carr, Michael G	90 County Rd	Marion	12/30/2021	375,000.00
Digiorgio, Michael	Callahan, Cecile Callahan, Walter	142 Fairhaven Rd	Mattapoisett	12/30/2021	300,000.00
Sweeney, Sean	Hiller, Susan M Hiller, Eloise Est	63b Pleasant St	Marion	12/31/2021	530,000.00

off the mark by Mark Parisi

Local Tides

Day	Date	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
Thursday	January 20	9:15	9:44	2:39	3:23
Friday	January 21	9:55	10:26	3:17	3:51
Saturday	January 22	10:39	11:13	3:57	4:22
Sunday	January 23	11:27		4:40	4:59
Monday	January 24	12:02	12:19	5:31	5:45
Tuesday	January 25	12:54	1:15	6:36	6:41
Wednesday	January 26	1:50	2:15	7:59	7:47
Thursday	January 27	2:53	3:22	9:32	8:59
Friday	January 28	4:02	4:32	10:44	10:08
Saturday	January 29	5:08	5:35	11:43	11:10
Sunday	January 30	6:08	6:31		12:36
Monday	January 31	7:01	7:23	12:09	1:27
Tuesday	February 1	7:52	8:13	1:06	2:13
Wednesday	February 2	8:40	9:03	2:01	2:53
Thursday	February 3	9:28	9:51	2:51	3:26
Friday	February 4	10:15	10:41	3:36	3:58
Saturday	February 5	11:03	11:31	4:19	4:30
Sunday	February 6	11:51		5:04	5:06

Phases of the Moon		
	Last Quarter	January 25th
	New Moon	February 1st
	First Quarter	February 8th
	Full Moon	February 16th

I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer on line and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on ***I Found the Aardvark***

In the January 13, 2022 edition the Aardvark was on page 17!

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CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Twinge 2. Askew; 3. Elated; 4. Refuge

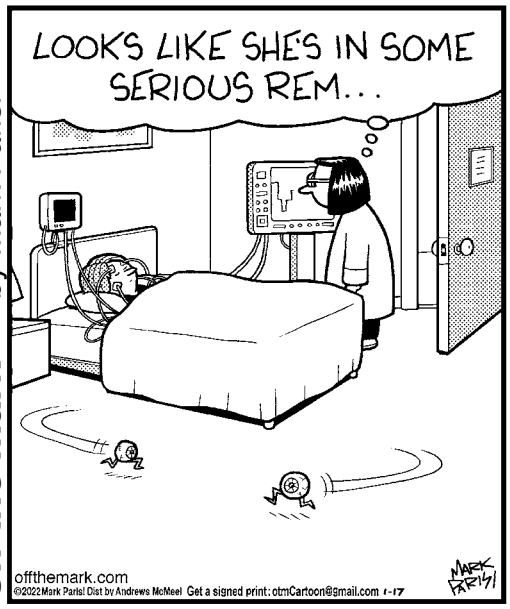
Today's Word

STRUGGLE

Sudoku Answer

6	4	3	2	7	1	9	8	5
7	1	8	5	4	9	3	6	2
9	2	5	6	3	8	4	7	1
1	8	4	3	6	7	5	2	9
5	3	6	1	9	2	8	4	7
2	9	7	8	5	4	1	3	6
8	7	1	9	2	3	6	5	4
4	6	9	7	8	5	2	1	3
3	5	2	4	1	6	7	9	8

off the mark by Mark Parisi



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at PLUMB CORNER

SALE EFFECTIVE:
Friday, January 21 — Thursday, January 27, 2022

565 Rounseville Road • Rochester, MA 02770
Phone: 508.763.5333
Open Daily: 7am–8pm

Grocery, Dairy, Frozen & Bakery

Barilla
12-14.5 oz. Selected
Gluten Free
Pasta
2/$5

7.25 oz. Dinner
Kraft
Macaroni & Cheese ..... 2/$3

13.5-16 oz. Selected
Post
Great Grains Cereal ..... 2/$6

12.7 oz.
Heinz Sweet Relish $1.99

15.25 oz. Selected
Betty Crocker
Favorites Cake Mix ..... 2/$3

10.1-15.35 oz. Selected
Nabisco
Oreo Cookies ..... 2/$6

15.1-17 oz. Selected
Newman's Own
Pizza $5.99

16 oz. 12 ct. Pkg. Selected
Fresh Baked
Cookies $4.99

Store Baked
Cinnamon Rolls ..... $2.49 ea.

Quality Meats, Deli & Prepared Foods

Boar's Head
7 oz. Pkg.
Ham Steak
$4.99

Boar's Head
Vermont
Cheddar Cheese
$6.99 lb.

Allen's
Rotisserie Chicken
$8.99 ea.

Wine

750 ml Sonoma Valley California
Cabernet Sauvignon
Louis Martini $21.99
Reg. Price: $22.99

750 ml California, Chardonnay
Bonterra $15.99
Reg. Price: $16.99

750 ml New Zealand
Sauvignon Blanc
Kono $11.99
Reg. Price: $12.99

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Ready to Drink Cocktails & Seltzers
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• Fisher's Island • High Noon • & more!

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All Beer is + Deposit

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• Exhibit A • Zero Gravity • Buzzard's Bay
• & many more!

Ciders to Keep You Warm!

Stormalong
Citizen
Artifact
Stowe
Carlson Orchards

Cheese & Spreads

8 oz. Pkg.
DiBruno Bros.
Cheese Spread $6.59

6.5 oz. Stick
Boar's Head
Pepperoni $3.49

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Blockbuster Savings!

Friends' Premium Certified Black Angus Boneless **Ribeye Steak** $19.99 lb.

Boar's Head OvenGold **Turkey** $10.99 lb.

Teddie 16 oz. Selected (Excludes Organic) **Peanut Butter** 2/$7

Blue Diamond 64 oz. Selected **Almond Breeze** 2/$6

Coors Light 12 oz. Cans/Bottles **30 Pack** $27.99 + Dep.

The Seven Deadly Zins 750 ml California Old Vine Zinfandel **Wine** $13.99

Reg. Price: $14.99

Quality Produce

1 lb. Pkg. Florida **Strawberries**	$3.99
Pint **Blueberries**	$3.99
Juicy **Minneolas**	$1.69 lb.
Crisp Braeburn or Granny Smith **Apples**	$1.69 lb.
Hot House **Tomatoes**	$1.69 lb.
Seedless **Cucumbers**	$1.69 ea.

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